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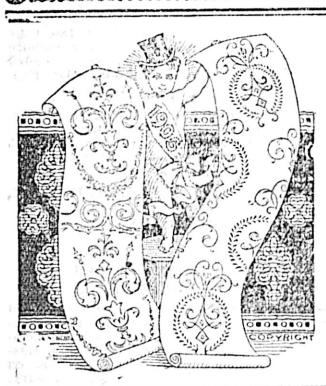

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Importance Of Our Seaboard

Theme Which Engaged Attention of Board of Trade Yesterday Afternoon.

Government to Be Urged to Build Dock for Naval and Commercial Purposes.

C. H. Lugrin Delivers a Speech on a Question of Paramount Importance.

THE regular quarterly meeting of the Victoria, B. C., Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. S. J. Pitts, president, in the chair.

THE HALIBUT FISHERIES.

With respect to this matter, the president called attention to the report of the committee appointed to deal therewith, in which it was stated that the evidence of Mr. Batson, a fisherman lately employed by the New England company, had been taken, at the request of the council, showing that fishing in Hecate Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound is continually being carried on by American vessels within the three-mile limit; also that Canadian harbors are being used in the preparations to fish, and recommending that strong representations should be made to the Dominion government to prevent this and to protect Canadian interests, which otherwise must be prejudiced by the special privileges granted to an alien company. The president also called attention to the resolution passed by the fisheries committee: "That after hearing the evidence of the local fishermen and of Mr. Starrett, manager of the New England Fish Company, this committee decides that the data at the present time available is insufficient to enable them to recommend the adoption at the present time of the clause in Mr. Morley's resolution referring to the existing discrimination in favor of an alien company." And to the following resolution, which was moved by Mr. Morley, seconded by Mr. Beaumont Boggs and carried:

"Whereas the halibut and other deep sea fisheries of the Canadian Pacific are of great importance to the Dominion, and if systematically developed are capable of supporting a large additional white population on this coast, and

"Whereas, through lack of knowledge of conditions, and more particularly of means of concentrating, storing and marketing the products, the industry is in a comparative state of non-development.

"Be it resolved, that the Dominion government be urged to appoint a practical expert,

"1. To make a complete study and survey of the fisheries and of the industry as it now exists.

"2. To make a similar study and survey of available markets and means of transportation.

"3. Of a system of co-operative storing, curing and marketing fish under similar encouragement and supervision as in dairying in the Northwest Territories, to enable the individual fishermen to benefit equally with his larger competitor in the disposal of his products."

SALMON FISHERIES.

Mr. James Simon explained the action which the council had taken on this subject; that Senator Templeman and their representatives at Ottawa had been communicated with requesting them to object to the government passing any order-in-council without considering the interests of Vancouver Island and suggesting that a commission be appointed to enquire into the whole question, to which Senator Templeman replied that a commission would take too much time. A further despatch was sent explaining the stand the council took, representing to the Island representatives that the Island interests had not been consulted, and urging enquiry to commission. To this Senator Templeman replied that it was too late for a commission owing to the fact that the Sound canners would have taken action before it could serve. Another representation was forwarded that the salmon could be protected without a two years' close season, which would destroy the trade.

The president asked if the meeting would endorse the action of the council in this matter.

Mr. Lugrin moved that the action of the council be endorsed, and Mr. Earle seconded the motion. Carried.

NAVAL STATION.

The president explained that a resolution was passed in December last by the Navy League with reference to the removal of the fleet from Esquimalt, to which the endorsation of the board was requested. This communication was referred to the committee on trade and transportation, which now reported as follows:

"Your committee on trade and transportation and commerce have carefully considered the memorial of the Navy League, Victoria and Esquimalt branch, dealing with the withdrawal of His Majesty's naval force from Esquimalt, and while recognizing the importance of the facts therein stated, and being in sympathy with the views expressed, cannot advise the board to endorse the same.

"At the same time we are of the opinion that some action should be taken in the matter, but from an entirely different standpoint, and we submit the following resolution for your consideration, looking to the assumption by the Canadian government of many of the minor duties, so long and so willingly performed by the Imperial navy:

"'Whereas there is a possibility the Imperial authorities will permanently withdraw the Pacific squadron from Esquimalt and close the naval dockyard and hospital dependent thereon.

"'And whereas the Imperial navy has guarded our shores and patrolled our seas since the dawn of civilization in this western portion of the Dominion to our great comfort and security,

"'And whereas Canada has not contributed in any way to the maintenance of the Imperial navy,

"'And whereas this board has already expressed its appreciation of the intention of the Canadian government to make early provision for the establishment of a Canadian naval militia, and considers that the government should assume part of the burden hitherto so cheerfully borne by the people of Great Britain,

"'Be it therefore resolved that this board strongly approves of the intention of the government to establish a Canadian naval militia and would respectfully urge that early provision be made for the performance of all the naval duties of a commercial character which have been so far performed by the Imperial navy.'"

The president asked if the meeting considered that any action should be taken in this matter.

Mr. Lugrin moved, seconded by Mr. C. F. Todd, that the resolution lie on the table. Carried.

GRAVING DOCK.

It was moved by Mr. Beaumont Boggs: "That a strong memorial be forwarded to the Dominion government asking that immediate steps be taken to reconstruct the drydock at Esquimalt so that docking facilities may be afforded to any steamers coming to our port, as well as to the largest modern war vessels."

Mr. Beaumont Boggs observed that too much had been made of the withdrawal of the navy from this station. A certain amount of panic, which was unjustified, had been occasioned thereby, and too much publicity had been given to the idea that Victoria would be seriously affected. He thought the businesslike way to meet the occasion was to get the Dominion government to provide sufficient facilities for docking any vessels which might seek the port. The vessels of the flying squadron would be larger than those previously on the station. The present dock was much shorter than those at Halifax and Hongkong.

Mr. C. H. Lugrin seconded the resolution. It concerned a matter to which the board should give its attention in the most earnest and determined way. It was important, at this time, that the attention of the Dominion government should be drawn to the importance of the Pacific coast of Canada. Discussions had taken place in the British press and in eastern Canadian papers

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Banker Resigns Over Stock Deal

Munroe & Munroe Failure Puts Aged New York Financier Out of Business.

Incident In Connection With Attempt to Boom Montreal & Boston Consolidated.

New York, Jan. 13.—Archibald S. Loomis, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the booming of the Montreal and Boston Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co.'s stock, by the failure of the firm of Munroe & Munroe, has tendered his resignation as vice-president and director of the National City Bank of this city. It is understood that the resignation will be accepted. In his letter of resignation Mr. Loomis says he is led to do this because by continuing with the bank "exposes it to criticism and attack which should be personal to myself, as no officers or individuals connected with the bank except myself had anything whatever to do with the credit which was extended to Munroe & Munroe. The amounts that were advanced to them were loaned in the ordinary course of business, and at all times I had ample collateral from them to secure their loans. I believed at the time, and shall believe that the property of the Boston and Montreal Copper Co. is a valuable one, and I had no possible interest of any kind in the loans made to them.

"I have been engaged in the banking business for upwards of forty years, during which time, I think I may say, that my record will speak for itself and not to my disparagement. If there has been any lack of judgment in these acts it is proper that I alone should suffer the criticism."

Complaints, in the nature of creditors' suits, will be brought against the members of the syndicate which underwrote the issue of 700,000 shares of the stock of the Montreal and Boston Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co., was announced by Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the creditors of Munroe & Munroe, who failed in attempting to "boom" the mining stock. Mr. Untermeyer said he hoped to get back for the creditors $60,000 which it was claimed Munroe & Munroe had paid to representatives of the underwriting syndicate, and also 135,000 shares of the mining stock given to the syndicate on the day before the failure. He expected to get the $60,000 back from Archibald G. Loomis, vice-president of the National City bank, and Arthur G. Beach, of Farson, Leach & Co., bankers.

Mr. Untermeyer announced also that both of these men will be called to testify in the bankruptcy proceedings probably on Wednesday, Jan. 25.

The books of F. P. Ward & Co., the firm which handled large quantities of the stock for Munroe & Munroe, were not produced when today's session of the court began and as a result an adjournment was taken till next Wednesday.

RUSSIANS WERE WITHIN RIGHTS

Damage Done to Ships at Port Arthur Before Surrender Is Condoned.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—There is a growing sentiment here to discourage further criticism of Gen. Stoessel's action in damaging the ships and fortifications at Port Arthur after his letter looking to the opening of negotiations for capitulation was sent to Gen. Nogi. The Nichi-Nichi today authoritatively says that there is no question as to the right of the Russians to blow up their warships and damage their guns while negotiations were pending, and it points out that they showed their good faith by stopping the destruction of property immediately that the capitulation compact was signed.

BRITISH SUGAR TAX.

London, Jan. 13.—Replying today to an influential deputation of representatives of the sugar-using industries, who complained that the sugar tax is highly injurious to their trades, Chancellor of the Exchequer Austin Chamberlain defended the fairness of the tax. He said he could not hold out any hope in the present state of the country's finances that which brought in $30,000,000 annually could be abolished.

A LIFE FOR A LIFE.

Kamloops, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Joshua Bell, the colored murderer, formerly of Spokane, paid the penalty of his crime at 9:30 this morning. With unflinching nerve and unaided, he mounted the scaffold and within two minutes of leaving the cell was dead. Radcliffe, the government executioner, officiated. The deceased was convicted at Greenwood of the murder of his mistress, Annie Allen, also colored, whom he stabbed to death on August 1 [illegible] refusing to live with him.

Conservatives Enthusiastic

Held a Good Caucus at Ottawa Yesterday at Which Mr. Borden Was Present.

Popular Leader Withdrew His Letter in Which He Made Resignation.

Likely That Convention Will Be Arranged Before Conclusion of Session.

From Our Own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—Mr. Mulock got into a tangle yesterday with the guard of honor when he attempted to pass through the ranks. He threatened to have the officer in charge court-martialed. The general feeling is that he should not have been allowed to pass through, but should have been arrested for disorderly conduct.

Members of the Liberal-Conservative party had a most enthusiastic caucus this morning, at which R. L. Borden was present. At the unanimous request of the party, Mr. Borden withdrew his letter of resignation as leader. Edward Kidd, M. P. for Carleton, made the offer of his seat to Mr. Borden, subject to the consent of his constituents, arrangements for securing which will be made forthwith. The question of the holding of a general convention of the Conservative party was mooted. Mr. Borden said that several friends of his had made this suggestion to him, and he thought it well worth consideration. No action was taken upon the question today, however, but it is likely, before the session terminates, a caucus will formally decide upon the holding of such a convention. The caucus, which was presided over by Senator Deboucherville, was most enthusiastic and was largely attended. The indications are that Mr. Borden will be in his place in the house by the 1st of February.

The following changes have been made in connection with the military service: Colonel Fisher, D. S. O., will be director-general of medical services; Colonel J. B. Donaldson to be director of clothing and equipment; Colonel J. L. Biggar to be director of transport and supplies; Colonel R. W. Rutherford to be director of artillery; Colonel P. W. Heatherbe to be director of engineer services. Fifth Regiment—Capt. Bryan Drake is transferred to reserve. Officers to be captains: Lieut. W. Winsby, Richard Angus, C. Roberts. Two companies of rifles are authorized at Fernie.

NO TRACE OF MISSING GIRLS

Nanaimo Citizens Fearful That a Tragedy Will Develop Soon

Nanaimo, B. C., Jan. 13.—In response to an appeal issued by Mayor Manson last night, one hundred and fifty men turned out this morning, under the leadership of J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M. P. P., and thoroughly searched the district in which two little girls disappeared or Tuesday last. They met with no success whatever. Snow began to fall this afternoon, putting an end to operations.

While the probabilities are that the children lost their way and went to sleep in the bush and perished of cold, the police are working on a clew which points to foul play. An engineer on the E. & N. saw the children and then saw a Jap near the track. The Jap had passed the children but the engineer saw him return towards them. Search is now being made for the Japanese.

RUSSIAN SAILORS SENTENCED.

Shanghai, Jan. 13.—The naval court martial at the Russian consulate here today sentenced the two sailors of the Russian cruiser Askold, charged with the murder of a Chinaman Dec. 15, the result of a quarrel to four years' imprisonment and to loss of all civil rights. The Taotai of Shanghai declined to send a representative to attend the court martial.

RUSSIAN PLACE MAKING.

Report That Prince Mirsky Has Already Resigned.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 13.—There is an unconfirmed rumor that Emperor Nicholas accepted Interior Minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky's resignation yesterday, and at 10 o'clock last night appointed M. Witte, president of the committee of ministers, to succeed him. According to another version of the report, Prince Obelonsky, governor-general of Finland, will succeed Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky.

HANKOW RAILWAY.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 13.—Sir Chentung Liang Cheng, the Chinese minister to the United States, has been informed that J. Pierpont Morgan and other Americans interested in the Hankow-Canton railway, have bought back their stock in the railroad, and the minister has advised his government of the fact, with the recommendation that the franchise be not cancelled. The American stockholders, upon hearing that the franchise would be cancelled if they disposed of a majority of the shares, reconsidered their decision and have again obtained possession of a greater part of the stock.

A WRECK ON THE EAST COAST

Steamer Columbia of New England Co's Fleet Lost — The Crew Rescued.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 13.—The steamer Columbia, the principal ship in the New England fleet, struck an uncharted rock at Milbank Sound, east coast of Vancouver Island, last Monday and sank in thirty minutes. The crew rowed away from the wreck in dories and were all picked up and brought safely to Vancouver.

The Columbia was a 200-ton boat and had a hundred thousand tons of halibut.

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—President Roosevelt today appointed Vespasian Warner to be commissioner of pensions. Mr. Warner is now a member of Congress from Illinois.

LOSSES IN AFRICA.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—The total losses of German troops in Southwest Africa, as officially reported by the Reichstag finance committee today, was: Killed in battle, died of disease or murdered by natives, 54 officers and 752 men. Wounded, 31 officers and 153 men.

CARNEGIE'S LATEST GIFT.

Watertown, N. Y., Jan. 13.—A special to the Standard from Canton says: "Dr. Almon Gunnison, president of the St. Lawrence University, today announced that he had received $50,000 from Andrew Carnegie with which to build and equip a new science hall."

EXAMINE TRADE CONDITIONS.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Joseph L. Bristow has resigned, to take effect on January 20. Late this afternoon President Roosevelt issued an order that Mr. Bristow should be appointed a special commissioner to visit the ports on the Atlantic coast of the United States and Pacific coast and the Isthmus of Panama for the purpose of examining into trade conditions, with a view of facilitating the transportation trade across the Isthmus via the Panama railroad.

A Day's News Of The Dominion

Boston Man Delivers an Address on Fiscal Relations at Toronto.

Ontario's First Minister of Agriculture Dead—A Druggist's Suicide.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Mr. H. N. Foss, of Boston, in his address on fiscal relations between Canada and the United States before the Empire Club last night, said that Canadians had a better friend in President Roosevelt than they knew. The result of the last election in the United States was an endorsement of the protective policy, said Mr. Foss, but not of its abuses. The tendency has been to increase the degree of protection; but this is no longer the case. They have reached the dividing point on monopoly. The most progressive and general element is ready for a change and in his opinion they would begin with Canada, unless Newfoundland got in ahead.

DRUGGIST'S SUICIDE.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 13.—Claud Bullis, a drug clerk employed by A. E. Walton at Queen street east, committed suicide by taking prussic acid at an early hour this morning. Bullis came to Toronto from Iroquois where his parents live.

A SCHOOL FIRE.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—The Phoebe street school was partially destroyed by fire this morning. The pupils were well trained in fire drill and marched out without injury. The loss is placed at $12,000.

HOCKEY AT OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—The Ottawa hockey team tonight defeated the Dawson City team by nine to two in the first game of the Stanley cup series. The Yukoners were hardly in form.

CHAS DRURY DEAD.

Barrie, Ont., Jan. 13.—Hon. Charles Drury, Ontario's first minister of agriculture, and sheriff of County Simcoe since 1894, died here last night, aged 81 years.

FATAL TRAIN ACCIDENT.

Dutton, Ont., Jan. 13.—Archibald Carmichael and Duncan McArthur were struck by a Michigan Central westbound express at a crossing here yesterday and instantly killed.

LOST FIVE OF CREW.

Glace Bay, N. S., Jan. 13.—The Gloucester schooner Lancer, which was sunk in a collison in the Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, last Sunday, lost five of her crew.

APPOINTED TREASURER.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—At a meeting of the Winnipeg city council today H. Thompson, assistant to City Clerk Brown, was appointed city treasurer.

GERM HERE FOR A PRETTY ROW

U. S Government Objects to Hayti Imprisoning an American Citizen.

Port Au Prince, Hayti, Jan. 13.—Mr. Powell, the American minister, has informed the government of Hayti that the United States government refuses to recognize the validity of the sentence in contumacy to fifteen years at hard labor pronounced by the Haytien court against Jaeger Huber, an American citizen, for alleged complicity in bond frauds charged against the administration of former President Semon Sam, and of the case of the Bank of Hayti.

The United States demands the annulment of the sentence under pain of energetic intervention. The demand has caused much excitement here.

GOVERNOR OF MOSCOW.

Moscow, Jan. 13.—It is stated that General Volkoff will be appointed prefect of the city of Moscow, thereby passing to a civil governorship, similar to that of St. Petersburg. Grand Duke Sergius will remain as governor-general of the military district.

HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—The Hamburg-American Steamship Company telegraphs as follows from Hamburg in reply to the Associated Press enquiry on the subject of the Frankfurter Zeitung's report yesterday that the company was to give up Cuxhaven as a terminus: "We do not intend to give up Cuxhaven. We will land and embark passengers there as heretofore." Special telegrams from Hamburg say that the facilities for handling freight are so much better at Hamburg than at Cuxhaven that it will be economical to discharge cargo at Hamburg.

On Future Of Victoria

An Interesting Interview With an Optimist—Mr. R. P. Rithet.

Pioneer Leading Merchant and Politician Thinks Outlook a Splendid One.

Believes Ultimately Victoria Will Be Terminus of a Transcontinental Railway.

MR. R. P. RITHET, whose all too infrequent visits to Victoria are a combination of business and pleasure, was called upon Saturday and a request made that he give expression to his views on the present situation and future prospects of his long time home. Mr. Rithet at first declined, being diffident about voicing opinions on matters with which he was not now so closely connected with as in the past, and about which he naturally could not be as thoroughly informed as he would like to be when giving them to the public. It was pointed out to him, however, that, the extensive interests that he still retained in Victoria and throughout the province, combined with his intimate knowledge of general affairs, would make a statement from him both profitable and pleasant reading.

Reluctantly consenting, Mr. Rithet said that he still had every confidence in the ultimate growth of Victoria into a city of great commercial importance. This had always been his opinion and he had backed it up by embarking in various local enterprises at a time when it was considered unwise by many of his friends so to do. This was the case when he built the ocean dock, and it seemed then so rash and uncalled for a project that the then customs officials refused to clear the first steamship landing there until compelled to do so by an order from Ottawa. Results had justified this enterprise, the capacity of the docks had been trebled, and it was in contemplation to again largely extend them. The building of these docks had saved to Victoria its ocean shipping business. For this he took no credit, as he had engaged in the enterprise for business reasons, and he was pleased to say that results were most satisfactory.

As was well known, he had been a warm advocate of the building of the British Pacific via Bute inlet with terminals at Victoria. Had the then government been equal to its pre-election promises and had the project been backed up as it should have been by Victorians, this city today would have had direct trans-Atlantic connection by joining the Canadian Northern, would have doubled its present population and would have had the cream of the Oriental shipping business so far as Canada was concerned. The province generally would also have been ten years ahead of its present development. While it was to be regretted that greater foresight had not prevailed ten years ago, he was still of the belief that at no distant day Victoria would secure the railway connection sought by the British Pacific scheme, though perhaps in not so large a measure. It was the opinion of many widely informed people and certainly his own, that both the Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific must secure closer touch with the Pacific states in order to share in the immense through passenger and freight traffic of the Pacific coast. Their easiest method to acquire this connection with the Pacific end of the United States would be to cross over to Vancouver Island and thus reach Victoria. In any event this would probably be the case with the Canadain Northern, which, coming via the Yellowhead pass through Cariboo and Chilcoten to Bute inlet would carry out the original intent of the British Pacific. He was thoroughly satisfied that a few years would demonstrate the correctness of this view. The fact that the Canadian Pacific was cultivating Victoria's business and friendship in their expenditure for hotel, docks, etc., was good evidence that the sagacious head of that great corporation anticipated something of this nature which would mean for the C. P. R. a very keen competition for both rail and marine business.

While Victoria had not advanced with the great strides that had been the case with the railway favored towns of Seattle and Vancouver, substantial progress was continually being made through civic and private enterprise. There were, however, too many persons in Victoria who became nervous as to the city's future when some temporary setback occurred such as the removal of the naval base from Esquimalt. He felt assured, however, that the development of the rich latent resources adjacent and naturally tributary to Victoria would shortly more than compensate for this loss, and the arrival of the new transcontinental railway within its doors would place Victoria's advancement on a par with its present more railway favored neighbor. Victorians, Mr. Rithet remarked, should look to a more substantial basis for their prosperity than expenditures by either imperial, Dominion or provincial governments.

The time was not far distant, Mr. Rithet said, when the immense iron deposits of Vancouver Island would be exploited and the numerous industries that always follow in the train of iron and steel works established. He was aware that the possibilities of iron and steel production on this coast was being investigated by capital, and while this industry was one hitherto without his sphere of operation, still he was of the firm opinion that the iron and steel industry could be profitably established on Vancouver Island. Virtually lying alongside of one another were all the necessary ores, fluxes and fuel. The Pacific states, the Orient and Australia provided a foreign market, while the extensive railway development in this province and the great Northwest would provide an ever increasing demand at home.

There were other factors at work which were certain to add largely to provincial development. The money market was in sound condition. The world was a spectator of a costly war without being nervous as to the possibility of a financial crisis. In fact money was easy and plentiful and investors were going far afield in order to secure profitable openings for their capital. The building of the G. T. P. and Canadian Northern to the Pacific coast was attracting the attention of capitalists and the possibilities of this province, and large investments in the exploitation of our many undeveloped resources of mine, forest and fisheries were certain to be made.

Concluding, Mr. Rithet saw no reason to be other than optimistic with regard to the future of Victoria and the Dominion generally.

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Russia May Invade China

A Plain Hint to the Powers Regarding the Czar's Intentions.

Lack of Neutrality Observations as a Pretext for the Move.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—(2:15 a. m.)—Russia's formal notification to the powers of the imminent danger of a general uprising in China as the result of a Japanese propaganda, which will threaten all foreign interests, coupled with a general protest against China's repeated violation of neutrality in connection with Japanese operations, is really a warning to the powers that Russia regards the situation as extremely serious, and considers that the time has come for joint action by the powers for the protection of their interests. For herself, Russia considers that Japan has broken the pledge she made with respect to Secretary Hay's note at the beginning of the war, and further persistence in this course will, she considers, absolve her from further observance and leave her free to act for her own protection.

The present note follows two preliminary warnings addressed to the powers, one in October and the other in November, "neither of which was heeded." It has an entirely different ring, setting forth breaches of Chinese neutrality including the Ryeshitelni case, and also the use of the Miaotao islands, belonging to China, as a base for the Japanese fleet, the constant despatch of contraband from various Chinese ports, the employment of Chinese soldiers in the Japanese army, and the using of Chinese bandits for attacking Russians.

Should Gen. Ma or any Chinese troops now move Russia will feel herself compelled to cross the Liao river into the neutral zone. As for the powers, Russia believes the situation has become serious owing to the stimulus given anti-foreign agitation in China by the fall of Port Arthur.

In diplomatic circles considerable importance is attached to the note and in the general opinion it is designed to induce Secretary Hay to initiate steps to bring joint pressure to bear, in order to prevent the extension of the zone of hostilities and to compel China to adopt drastic measures against the present agitation in the interior of that empire.

BAN ON FIRE CRACKERS.

Chief of the New York Fire Department Proposes a Drastic Step.

New York, Jan. 13.—Fire Chief Edward F. Croker has recommended to Fire Commissioner N. P. Hayes that steps be taken at once to prohibit the use of all fireworks, except fire crackers, on and around July 4. He makes an exception of fire crackers because he finds that dealers have great stocks of them on hand, and that many fire crackers are on board ships bound for this country, and to prohibit their use on such short notice would work a great hardship. He recommends, however, that at the end of another year the prohibition be extended to crackers as well.

During the week of July 4, 1904, he says, there were 305 fires in Greater New York, of which 128 were traceable to fireworks. Mr. Croker states that 846 persons were injured by fireworks on last Independence day.

At fire headquarters it was said that Chief Croker's letter is the first step in a campaign which he proposes to wage against fireworks at all seasons in this city.

SENSATIONAL TRIAL.

A Massachusetts Murder Case Which Is Exciting Much Interest.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 13.—Blood-stained exhibits, including the clothing worn by the woman and the defendant on the day that Mabel Page was murdered, and the knife with which the killing was done, figured today in the trial of Charles L. Tucker, accused of the crime.

Prof. E. S. Wood, of Harvard university, an expert blood analyist, was the principal witness. He testified that human blood had been found on Tucker's overcoat and trousers, as well as on the knife with which the wounds on Miss Page's body could, he said, have been made.

Arterial blood was found on the overcoat and knife only. A plaster cast of Tucker's teeth was introduced and the dentist by whom it was made testified that the cast fitted indentations in a knife sheath found on the defendant. Prof. Wood was on the stand for four hours and a half explaining in detail the microscopic examination he made.

Dr. John W. Pomfret, a dentist, on cross-examination, said that the impressions on the knife sheath might have been made two years ago.

Prof. Wood will be cross-examined by the defence tomorrow.

RUSSIANS WERE REPULSED.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—A report from the Japanese army headquarters on the Liaotung peninsula, received today, says: "A body of Russians, evidently from Gen. Mistchenko's cavalry brigade, with the second infantry regiment, railroad guards and guns recently surrounded the Japanese post at Niuchatun, north of Yikow, on the line of communications, and assaulted it from the direction of Siantziatzu. The Russians were repulsed with a loss of at least 80 men."

A POSTAL MATTER.

An Effort to Prevent Senator Platt From Taking His Seat.

New York, Jan. 13.—At the meeting of the Postal Congress League in Cooper Union tonight, Chairman C. W. Post, of Battle Creek, Mich., said he has prepared papers and will ask the United States Supreme court for a restraining order to prevent Senator Thomas Platt from taking his seat. He said he would take this action on the ground that Senator Platt subverts the interest of the people he has sworn to represent in the interests of a corporation he really represents. The matter relates to the parcels post.

A CABINET CRISIS ON IN FRANCE

Chamber of Deputies Packed Yesterday in Expectation of Some Developments.

Paris, Jan. 13.—The Chamber of Deputies was packed today owing to the expectation that the cabinet crisis would reach a decisive issue. The debate opened upon the general policy of the ministry. M. L'Hopiteau (Radical Republican) and others declared the programme of the ministers had not been fulfilled.

A motion postponing the debate until tomorrow finally prevailed.

Prior to the vote, M. De Schanel, former president of the Chamber of Deputies, severely arraigned the ministry, declaring that the dignity of the country required a new regime.

SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—(2:15 a. m.)—The rumor that the resignation of the minister of the interior, Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky, had been accepted is without foundation. The entire ministerial situation remains unchanged.

TRAGEDY AT VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Jan. 13.—(Special)—Harry Slater, ex-prize fighter, who had been before police several times for beating and threatening his wife, Eva Marsden, who is an inmate of a disorderly house, tried to kill the woman at five this afternoon. His wife had sworn out a warrant for his arrest. While the police were watching the house he evaded them and got in and inflicted several wounds on his wife with a razor. Thinking he had killed her, he cut his own throat and expired. His wife will live.

NEWS OF GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks, Jan. 10.—Fred. H. Knight, an old resident of this city, and the original promoter of the Greenwood Strathmore Mining Co., at Greenwood, passed through the city yesterday on his way to Greenwood. In speaking of the Strathmore property, Mr. Knight said he felt sure that the stock would be selling for 25 cents a share within the next 90 days.

The Grand Forks hockey club leaves here today for Rossland, where they will play a hockey match this evening with the Rossland team.

W. A. Harkin, editor of the Boundary Creek Times, arrived in the city on Saturday to spend Sunday with his Grand Forks friend.

Encouraging news to those who are interested in the Strathmore property at Greenwood has reached here today to the effect that owing to the continued rich strikes in that property all the local stock has been taken off the market.

Bert. Roy, general manager of the Betts and Hesperus mines at Hardy mountain, is authority for the statement that all the mining machinery is now in position at the mines and everything will be in full working order by the 15th inst.

Arrangements are being made for the immediate working of the Golden Eagle property up the north fork. It is understood that the property will be worked continuously all winter. It is owned by Mr. Barrett, a well known mining man, and others.

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London Gossip By The Cable

Lord George Hamilton Unionist Free Trader Delivers a Speech.

Gives Reasons for Leaving the Government and Roasts Chamberlain.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, Dec. 13.—Lord George Hamilton, Unionist Free Trader, addressed 2000 persons at a meeting at Blackburn, Lancashire. He said the reason for his leaving the government was because he saw that Chamberlain's policy unless checked degenerated into pure protection. They had been told to thank imperialism. He had been an imperialist all his life; had learnt his imperialism from Beaconsfield and Salisbury, who taught that though imperialism in the abstract might be admirable in the concrete must be regulated by the burden which it entailed. There had been in his judgment much imperial "high falutin" on public platforms lately. His complaint against tariff reformers was that they had no wide general survey of the industrial or complexity of imperial connections abroad, before embarking in an unhappy agitation with regard to the colonial offers though tariff reformers did not deal fairly with them, audiences could measure the benefit we could derive from such an offer was simply extent which we could displace foreign goods now going colonies expressed strong belief that free trade would win "hands down." Speaking of the colonial exhibition at Liverpool, Lord Strathcona had said the colonies even now possessed resources which made up a very great empire. Speaking for Canada he could say it was ready go on with mother country in everything that could be of advantage to the whole empire. Whatever their political view all must admit Chamberlain had been the colonies' best friend. He did done more than any other to knit different parts of the Empire together.

Lord Strathcona has consented to receive a thousand guests in an international ball, promoted by the City of London Commercial Association, of which he is president. The Lord Mayor and Mayoress and sheriffs will attend in state. The French, German and American embassies will be represented officially.

That the fiscal question will be paramount at the next general election was made perfectly plain by the speech by the chancellor of the exchequer in refusing a deputation asking to remit the sugar tax. He said they were well aware of the intention of the government to make a change of policy. The question might be an issue at the next general election, but the government could not anticipate fundamental changes on the fiscal question during the present Parliament.

Leonard Courtney, unveiling the bust of Charles Buller at Liskeard, referred specially to his work at Durham as an illustration that he always went forward.

News of the Army and Navy

No Official Information Yet Made as to Status of Bermuda Station.

Hostile Comment on the Closing of the Dockyard at Bermuda.

London, Dec. 31.—No official intimation has yet been made as to whether Bermuda garrison will be reduced in the general process. It is hardly likely that it will be materially reduced.

Much comment of a hostile nature is being made on the closing of Jamaica dockyard and the reduction of the garrison. It is pointed out that the completion of the Panama canal will greatly increase the strategical value of Jamaica as a naval base.

The five battalions of the Royal Garrison Regiment—the 5th Battalian of which is at Halifax, N. S.—will be reduced in the financial year of 1905-06. The process, however, will be a very gradual one, simultaneous disbandment having many difficulties in the way of carrying it out.

The King has been pleased to approve of the regiments engaged or represented in the late Boer war having honors on their regimental colors and appointments in commemoration of their services. The honors are practically confined to "South Africa, 1899-1902," and other dates; "Defence of Ladysmith," "Relief of Ladysmith," "Defence of Kimberley," "Relief of Kimberley," "Paardeberg," and "Modder River." In all, 26 regiments of cavalry, 72 regiments of infantry, 68 militia battalions, 219 volunteer corps (which had active service companies at the front), and 44 regiments of Imperial Yeomanry (similarily represented), have received the honors; also several militia battalions have been granted "Medlitteranean" for service at Gibraltar, Egypt and Malta.

The complete re-armament of the Royal Horse Artillery and the Royal Field Artillery batteries at home and abroad is to be proceeded with at once, and orders for 960 guns to equip 160 batteries have been placed at Woolwich arsenal, and with Sir W. G. Armstrong & Co., Messrs. Vickers, Sons & Maxim, Messrs. L. Cammel & Co.; and it is stated that Canett's French firm will receive a supplementary order. The committee appointed to take into consideration the whole question of our artillery arm met under the chairmanship of Sir George Marshall, a distinguished gunner, whose South African experience rendered him exceptionally fit to conduct an inquiry of the kind. The committee has sat constantly since its appointment, shortly after the conclusion of the Boer war. It has taken expert opinions from whatever source obtainable, and has subjected artillery weapons of varying calibre to the most severe tests as to quickness of fire, length of range, recoil and other essential points. The impossibility of retaining the old arm seems to have been admitted without question. Something like twenty months must be occupied in supplying the 160 batteries, and the cost included will be approximately three and a half millions. The work now undertaken, however vastly important in itself and not less necessary than important, will free the British army from a reproach of long standing—for which the man who serves the gun is in no sense responsible, and will give our artillery soldier such a weapon as will place this scientific branch of the land forces in a position second to none. Military opinion is that the scheme for ridding the army of antiquated ordnance has come not a moment too soon, and that to have allowed our batteries to remain armed with pieces of out-classed type, with the exception perhaps of a few purchases on the Continent while the Transvaal war was still being waged, would have been not only perilous but criminal. The recommendations of Sir George Marshall's committee are in effect that the Royal Horse Artillery shall be armed with 12½-pounders and the field artillery with guns 18½-pounder calibre.

The new 18½pounder—with which the Canadian field artillery will be also re-armed—excels all other field guns in range and power. It fires 18½-pound projectiles at a velocity of 1,600 feet per second, and can deliver 25 of them in a minute. The old 15-pounder can only fire three rounds per minute. In the new gun loading only requires one motion, whereas no fewer than five are required with the 15-pounder.

Deposits in the national banks of Philadelphia are now $48,000,000 greater than they were one year ago.

STOESSEL'S FAREWELL.

Tokio, Jan. 13.—It is announced that General Stoessel, in bidding farewell to the Russian troops at Port Arthur, thanked the officers and men for the heroic defence and said he considered that the Japanese terms were the best it was possible to have offered. He added that he would take all the blame for the premature surrender of the fortress.

CARD SHARPS' TROUBLES.

New York, Jan. 13.—Frightened by the activity of District Attorney Jerome, who has announced that he intends to suppress gambling here, hundreds of "card sharps" are preparing to seek new fields. Many of them will visit winter resorts of the south and west.

Mr. Jerome today summoned many to appear before him to tell what they know about the business. The police commissioner, McAdoo, later sent his secretary with police officials to raid an alleged poolroom and gambling house in lower Sixth avenue. The police took five prisoners and took the name of nearly 500 persons in the place. The police say in addition to betting on the races, various games of chace were played there.

PRAISE FOR GENERAL EVANS.

London, Jan. 13.—Commenting on the reported retirement of Consul-General Evans the Standard today says: "The reported return to America of the Hon. H. Clay Evans, American consul-general in London, has been received with general regret. 'General Evans,' as he is generally termed by his many English and American friends, since his appointment in June, 1902, has achieved more for the country he represents than has been accomplished by many an ambassador. While a typical American, Mr. Evans has constantly proved himself in genuine sympathy with the British ideas and British aspirations, and it is hoped that the report of his resignation being accepted by President Roosevelt will prove premature."

STARCH PLANT FIRE.

Big Factory in New York Damaged and Employees Have Narrow Escape.

Oswego, N. Y., Jan. 13.—The starch plant of the Corn Products Company here was damaged to the extent of $150,000 by a fire today, which destroyed three buildings used for the packing department, kiln room and scraping room. A portion of the granary department was also damaged.

The flames originated in the packing room and were caused by the explosion of a boiler. With great rapidity the fire swept through the main building and cut off nearly every means of egress. The factory was filled with employees, who escaped with difficulty. Several persons were injured, one seriously. Jeremiah Sweeny jumped from the fourth storey and received a fractured hip, and William Caton, Michael Henan, Archie Bailey, John Hoerr, Anna Arnold and another were slightly burned in leaving the building.

Fire Chief Blackburn called out all his available apparatus and then summoned assistance from nearby cities. After strenuous efforts the flames were confined to three buildings, and the fact that the oil plant was deluged with water prevented the complete destruction of the plant.

ARE URGING A SCHOOL OF MINES

Mining Men on Mainland Now Agitating for an Innovation.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 13.—The question of a provincial school of mines is again being agitated here, and is one of the topics of conversation in the mining world. The proposition is that it be established in the Similkameen country, where, near at hand, there is all the valuable minerals in great variety that are found in British Columbia. This has been already recognized on two occasions, once when the pupils of the Montreal School of Mines were taken to Similkameen to study the minerals in formation, and at another time when the pupils of a foreign educational mining institution took a similar trip. It is claimed by many prominent mining men here that such a school of mines would well repay the government in fees secured from pupils.

The oil well at Steveston, which was shut down through lack of funds at a period when the proximity of oil seemed certain, is to be started up again in a few days. Fifteen hundred dollars is now in the bank to enable the management to drive still further down; and a large sum, it is said, will be obtainable. When boring was suspended the gas pressure had increased very materially and the sand brought up was strongly impregnated with sulphur. The oil, if obtained, will be at a depth much deeper than anticipated.

STRIKES IN GERMANY.

Trouble Amongst Coal Miners Spreading With a Grave Outlook.

Berlin, Jan. 14.—(3:30 a. m.)—The coal strike continues to spread. The leaders evidently have control of the miners, those on strike numbering 68,858 at 90 shafts. Yesterday at the Consolidated Co.'s mine at Oberhuesen, 1,200 strikers stormed the operating plant, when the strike breakers were about to proceed to work, roughly using them and preventing them entering the shaft. At Sorst, on the Emscher river, serious rioting occurred, strikers attacking gendarmes, police and operatives who were willing to work. A number were wounded on both sides and several arrests were made. Miners' wives held a great mass meeting at Langendreo, province of Westphalia. The Phoenix Co., one of the largest producers in Germany, has shut down because of the strike.

RUSSIA'S FINANCES.

A Statement Showing the Imperial Budget for the Present Year.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 13.—In the imperial budget for 1905 the revenue is estimated at $988,522,804, and the extraordinary revenue at $8,794,319. The ordinary expenditure is estimated at $958,032,785, and the extraordinary expenditure $39,284,342.

The finance minister's statement points out that in accordance with the law of 1890 the budget includes no credits for war expenditure. The minister calculates the money required. In any event the remainder can be raised without difficulty. It is estimated that 1904 will produce $310,500,000 by the extraordinary war credit opened by all the departments of the administration, and that this will cover a portion of the expenditure for 1905. The ready cash in the imperial treasury on January 1, 1904, amounted to $176,000,000, which, by retrenchment in the state expenditure, the issue of treasury bills, etc., was raised by $358,700,000, which was utilized for war expenditure in 1904, although it is eleven months since the war began. The minister says the monetary system of the empire remains steady. The effect of the war has made itself principally felt in a decreased production of articles of luxury.

Mrs. E. J. Mellette, of the editorial staff of the Western Poultry World, Denver, is here to write up the poultry show. She is of the opinion that the local show is a first class one.

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MORE TESTIMONY IN SMOOT TRIAL

Witness Gave Evidence That Polygamy Is Dying Out In Utah.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The witnesses in the Smoot trial today testified that polygamy is dying out in Utah so rapidly that there is no need of prosecutions. It was declared that the younger Mormons are all opposed to polygamy, and that if they thought it was being taught there would be a revolution in the church. It was said that Senator Smoot had the consent of the church to become a candidate, but only in the form of a leave of absence from his church duties. It was declared that he could have been nominated and elected without it.

Mr. White-Cotton said there had been no polygamist elected to office since statehood. Of Senator Smoot in politics he said: "Mr. Smoot formed a habit of voting the Republican ticket, and it was unpleasant for the Democrats."

As to Senator Smoot's opposition to polygamy, the speaker said Senator Smoot was looked upon as the young man in Utah to redeem Israel. Mr. White-Cotton continuing said that after Mr. Smoot became an apostle he became a candidate for senator and a campaign was waged in which the issue was "Smoot or Smoot." He did not know whether the apostleship injured Mr. Smoot's canvass for the senatorship.

In reply to Senator Overman, Mr. White-Cotton said it had never been understood that Smoot was the candidate of the church, but it was necessary for him to have the consent because of his church position. The consent was understood to be merely a leave of absence."

Mr. Worthington asked concerning the attitude of the polygamist in public toward their plural wives, and the witness said that he had known of no cases where these wives were exhibited in public.

As to Mr. Smoot's morals and upright character, Mr. White-Cotton said: "No man in the state or out of the state stands better."

Senator Dubois inquired why the polygamists had not been charged with polygamy, adultery or bigamy, and the witness replied that no convictions could be had on these charges.

Witness thought the same conditions existed now and that it would be impossible to convict except for unlawful cohabitation.

Mr. White-Cotton admitted that he had known of the relations of some plural families, and Chairman Burrows introduced the question why he had not prosecuted these cases. "Because I am not in the business of prosecuting my neighbors. If I were elected prosecuting attorney I would do my duty," the witness answered.

On cross-examination, Mr. White-Cotton, when asked if President Joseph F. Smith had said that if he observed the custom which prevails generally on the subject of marriage relations "he would be eternally damned," replied it would not surprise him because Smith is a "thorough fanatic."

The witness said he understood that Presidents Woodruff and Snow continued to live in polygamous co-habitation after 1890, and understood, too, that the basis of the plea for amnesty was a promise not to continue in polygamous relations. He gave the opinion that the Mormons were responsible for the manifesto, and said if it had not been issued there would have been a revolt. If the apostleate now should bring out a resolution saying polygamy should be resumed, there was not an apostle who could be sustained by his conference.

H. E. Booth, of Salt Lake, a non-Mormon lawyer who has been active in the politics of his state, asserted that the Mormon church did not interfere in political affairs. He said he believed the church opposed the election of Moses Thacher for Congress, and he was glad of it, "because that man was a polygamist." It was his judgment that President Joseph Smith had kept the church out of politics. As to polygamy, the witness said: "I believe polygamy is as dead as slavery. Ninety-eight per cent. of the Mormons themselves are opposed to plural marriages."

Mr. Booth testified that sympathy was with the women who were married in polygamy, and that there was a disinclination to prosecute the polygamists for that reason. He said he thought polygamy would die out soon itself.

There was no question but that Mr. Smith received church consent to run for senator, but he believed Mr. Smoot would have been nominated and elected had that consent been refused. He thought if conditions were allowed to go on as they were now in a few years nothing would be heard of the Mormon question.

Concerning the prosecutions, Mr. Booth admitted, on cross-examination, that on both sides of his home President Smith maintained houses for his wives, but until the Smoot hearing he had never heard that co-habitation was practiced since the manifesto.

Asked by Senator Dubois if his sympathy for children born in polygamy "is great enough to put a stop to bringing them into the world," the witness replied: "It is, if a stop could be put to it without vesting penalties and hardships on those women bringing them into the world. If you can suggest a way to me that the problem can be solved, I will adopt it and carry it out."

Chairman Burrows asked Mr. Booth if a constitutional amendment prohibiting polygamy would be effective, and received the answer that it was not necessary. The witness said, however, that he thought it would put an end to polygamy.

"You think that Utah is unable to put a stop to polygamy?" asked the chairman.

The witness said he condemned polygamy, but that polygamists should not be prosecuted because of the disgrace to their wives. He said he had been a candidate for public office, but he never had made a move to determine whether he could get church support, though he admitted that some candidates did go to the officials.

On cross-examination by Mr. Taylor, Mr. Booth admitted that the prosecutions of some Mormons was regarded by many members of the church as an especial badge of honor.

Arthur Pratt, warden of Utah penitentiary, declared that from 1875, when he arrested Geo. Reynolds, and down to 1890, he had arrested more Mormons on charges of polygamous cohabitation than any other offence. He said that the arrests caused much suffering among the Mormon people and that it was the women and children who got the worst of the prosecutions. He said polygamy had decreased since 1890.

Angus Cannon, the witness said, had a bad reputation and his word could not be credited.

TEXTILE UNIONS STRIKE.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 13.—The five textile unions involved in the cotton mill strike voted tonight to confer on the textile council full power to settle the strike or conduct other negotiations with the mill owners without being obliged to refer any action back to the industrial unions for endorsement.

GENEROUS MILLIONAIRE.

New York, Jan. 13.—It is announced tonight that Henry Phipps, the former Pittsburg steel magnate, will give $1,000,000 for the erection in New York city of a model tenement house for the working class. The earnings are to accumulate and be used in building more houses. Mr. Phipps desires to build in such localities that each house might have playing space for children. The houses will be planned so as to earn about 4 per cent.

Mr. Phipps, who recently has become a resident of New York, was the donor of a playground for children and a free gymnasium in Allegheny City, and two years ago set aside a large sum for the foundation and maintenance of an institute for the study, treatment and prevention of tuberculosis in Philadelphia.

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James A. Douglas

CARD OF THANKS.

I beg to thank all those who supported me in the recent election for alderman.

L. J. QUAGLIOTTI.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the Electors of North Ward:

I take this opportunity to thank the electors and friends of North Ward for the hearty support extended me, and although not elected, expect to come before you again in some future contest.

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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 11th day of January, 1905.

J. K. WORSFOLD,
Assessor and Collector,
Victoria Assessment District,
Victoria, B.C.
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NOTICE.

Re Foreshore for Fishing Purposes.

NOTICE is hereby given that the time for receiving tenders for leases of foreshore for salmon fishing purposes is extended up to and including Wednesday, 1st February, 1905.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 22nd December, 1904. d25

The Pine Creek Power Company, Limited.

Victoria, B. C., December 23rd, 1904.

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:

TAKE NOTICE that a special general meeting of the shareholders of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 20 Board of Trade Building, Bastion Square, in the City of Victoria, on Wednesday, the 25th day of January, 1905, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering the following special resolution:

RESOLVED, That the capital stock of the Company be increased by the issue of shares of the par value of not more than $50,000, in either one or both of the following ways:

1. By the issue of Common Stock.
2. By the issue of Preferred Stock.

Or in the alternative,

RESOLVED, That the Directors be authorized to borrow in any one of the ways following, a sum not to exceed $50,000, secured upon the undertaking of the Company:

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Notice of Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Tourist Association of Victoria, B. C., will be held at the City Hall, on Thursday, January 19th, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report of the Executive, the election of officers for the coming year, etc.

The reading of the Annual Report will be illustrated by lantern slides in order to give subscribers a more adequate idea of the work done by the Association. All subscribers are particularly requested to be present. Ladies and friends are also invited.

G. H. BARNARD, Mayor,
President.
HERBERT CUTHBERT,
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Jan. 7th, 1905.

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OH THE SNOW, THE BEAUTIF... BANG!

The time has come for the man who sings of "the beautiful" to get busy once again, for the snow is here—or was when the first forms went to press. In the wee sma' oors of yester morn, it is creditably reported, the flakes began to fall and drift with a north wind, until when the shivering householder crept from 'neath his blankets to struggle with the kitchen stove he saw a deep coverlet of white upon the ground. And he didn't feel like writing any poems about "beautiful snow" at that stage of the game.

The snow, while it did not demoralize traffic by rail and water, caused much inconvenience. The street car men had a joyful time. The juice lost itself and the wheels clogged in the packed snow on the metals and whirred without making progress, until the motorman crept out and delved away the drift, or the track brigade salted things generally—and the schedule was knocked higher than Gilhooly's kite or Santos Dumont's aerial bubble wagon. The electric rotary sweeper was started, and it accomplished some good in clearing the tracks for a few moments until the falling snow and wind could drift onto them again. It also frightened several horses. One team, belonging to Mrs. McRae, which was standing outside Challoner & Mitchell's jewelry store, took fright when the sweeper came, and dashed along Government street until a telephone post got in the way near Weiler Bros.'. The damage done to the pole was not important.

While the poet may sing of the frappe aqua as "the beautiful," opinion is divided in that regard. Two women stand upon a street corner awaiting a delayed car. Says one, "Is it not beautiful, this snow?" (She is wearing her new sables.) "It's simply awful," said the other, who does not wear new furs. And this conversation shows how unanimous are the people of Victoria in their opinion of the unusual carpet which covers the ground.

Ask the young housekeeper, who is trying to coerce the snow from her door with a stove shovel that looks like a tablespoon. She will say it is simply ghastly. Ask the young hopeful who has stolen his sister's sled that he may go coasting, and who has just planted a hard-rolled snowball on a Chinaman's ear. He will say, "It's bully." Ask the young lady who is awaiting him who cometh with "the sweetest cutter you ever saw." She will say, "It's simply heavenly; just too sweet for words." Ask the Chinaman. He will say its ——.

There is a wide range of opinion.

But the snow fell on the just with the unjust, those who liked and those who didn't. All day the flakes drifted, the sleigh bells rang—bringing reminiscences to the mind of the Easterner; the street cars struggled along the clogged tracks; the young folks coasted with sleds whose runners had been thickly coated with rust, while the staid and decorous business man took to the road for safety; the small boy threw snowballs and built embryo Port Arthurs for other boys to fall over the snowy ramparts with snowballs in hand; and the unused cutters were dragged from the rearmost recesses of the barn to take Miss Victoria for a sleigh ride over the yielding carpet with which nature had covered the city.

It was two or three days ago that Mercury yielded to the temptation, when Seattle showed a bad example by having a cold wave—and fell. A couple of days of cold weather, northerly winds, and then the snow began to fall. It began in the early morning and drifted and packed—and then many things happened that had no place in other days.

The Chinese kept well out of the way of the small boy. They knew from experience that snow and small boys were a dangerous combination. One gentleman from Cathay can vouch for it. It was on Menzies street. John was going to Chinatown from the scene of his daily labors. Bing!! A bunch of snow landed on his neck. He turned and looked for his assailant. Then another snowball got him on the eyelid, but there was no boy in sight. Just then John made a mistake in tactics. He should have run, but he didn't. He went looking for that small boy—and found a bunch of him. Then the snowballs landed thick, and John cursed his assailants until the thirteenth generation; but they didn't understand Cantonese and continued the bombardment. And there were many similar incidents.

And the gentlemen with silk hats. They laid them away to rest for the small boy dearly loves a target. The fur coat of Manitoba memory had the camphor balls divorced from it, and the furry fez that was worn last a year ago was taken from its hiding place; the leggings that had been laid away were taken from the top shelf of the cupboard, and last year's rubbers were wildly sought in vain. All day the shoe dealers did a rousing trade, and the Colonist gives a calendar to the first who guesses the article with which they did such business. The hackman, moreover, did much business, that is those of him who had sleds for hire. They reaped a harvest, for the chances that are given the young man to take her out in the pale moonlight for a sleigh ride—just like they do in Quebec, you know—do not come often.

The sleighs that were requisitioned to take advantage of the snowfall were of all sorts and conditions, from the old box with a pair of rough-made runners nailed to it, to the dainty cutter that would have graced any street in the frost-bitten East. There were sleds and sleds, and all were laden with joyful sleighing parties who knew that the opportunities to enjoy the sport of the ice-bound East are few, and the time of the sleigh in Victoria is short lived.

The snowfall interfered with the skating that had been enjoyed by numbers during the last few days, and yesterday no special trains were run to Colwood by the E. & N. Several hundred skaters were carried by special trains during the past few days. The regular E. & N. trains made the run despite the storm, but the V. & S. train was stalled for a couple of hours yesterday at the Fisguard street grade, the snow having piled up on the track and prevented the engine from getting up the grade.

The fall of snow on the Saanich peninsula was much greater than within the confines of the city.

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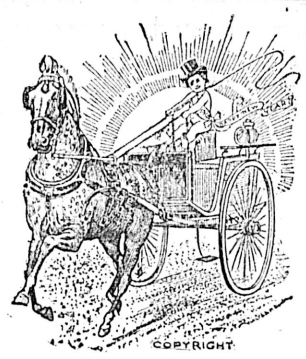

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Submarines For Japanese Navy

Kanagawa Maru Will Carry More Devilish Craft When She Leaves for Orient.

Consignment of Deadly Boats Said to Be on the Way to Seattle.

When the steamer Kanagawa Maru leaves again for Japan she will carry more submarines for the Japanese navy. Another consignment of submarines in sections ready to be put together on arrival at the Kure yards is now on the way to Seattle. The shipment is a duplicate of that which was sent on the last voyage of the Kanagawa Maru. Like other shipments of contraband sent from the United States, and many shipments of guns, ammunition, beef, etc., have been sent, the submarines are consigned to the agent of the shipper in Japan.

When such a shipment is made from any factory it is not long before the cable carries news thereof to the Japanese and Russian governments, for each are busy on the Pacific coast. As has been known for months, there are agents of either government, who would scarcely be called spies, in the various ports on the Pacific coast from which the Oriental liners sail. When the Russian volunteer cruiser Lena was interned at San Francisco a large number of Russians from her company were scattered throughout Pacific coast cities, and many of the agents of Russia who are reporting concerning shipments from the Pacific coast came from the Lena.

As is known, a number of vessels have sailed of late carrying contraband for both Russia and Japan, and the news of their sailing and nature of their cargoes has soon been made known to the country interested. With the crippled state of the Russian navy, however, it is doubtful if the reports received from the Russian agents of the shipment of submarines or other contraband will be of much us to the Czar's government.

The submarines being shipped to Japan are being shipped, as were those previously sent, as steel plates. As far as the manifests are concerned, there is nothing of contraband in the nature of the cargo, even though the vessel is carrying submarines. Mr. Ide, collector of customs at Port Townsend, who was recently asked in regard to the shipment of torpedo boats to Japan, said: "Sworn manifests made to the customs house show no reference to torpedo boats. It is true that about the time the newspapers contained items about torpedo boats, a shipment manifested as steel plates went forward.

"There are a number of Russians and Japanese keeping track of Oriental shipments from this district. The Japanese are particularly active, and I judge they have accurate and complete records, especially concerning foodstuffs which have been shipped.

"Such information as the public is entitled to know when inquiry is made is, of course, given out by the customs officials. Frequently the Japanese ask information requiring the time of officials, and in such cases they are ready with the money to pay the proper charges.

"Of course, there are many things people would like to know about shipments we are unable to give. We do not furnish information concerning names of consigners nor consignees, although figures on quantities of any certain export will be given when available, and proper assistance will be given toward securing information when such is not readily available. Sometimes it is possible to allow the inquirer to inspect records and gather the desired data, and this privilege is asked often by the Japanese.

"I find many particularly bright and intelligent Japanese engaged in the work. The Russians are not nearly so numerous nor active. As such, no contraband has cleared from Puget Sound. Had a protest been made that any sworn manifest was false we should, of course, have made an inspection. Large shipments have been made of breadstuffs and meat."

SAILING SHIPS.

Lorne Bringing Polltalloch to Victoria—Rickmers Ship Overdue.

Tug Lorne is expected in port today with the British ship Polltalloch, loaded with nearly two million feet of lumber from Chemainus for Melbourne. The Polltalloch is coming to Esquimalt to ship a crew. The Lorne has been on the ways at Seattle, being cleaned and painted and having a new blade put on her propeller.

Another of the Rickmers ships has been posted as overdue. One or another of the name usually appears on the board every few months, and now it is the Robert Rickmers, out 212 days from Philadelphia for Hiogo, Japan, presumably with a cargo of coal oil, and quoted in the reinsurance market at 20 per cent.

The British ship Dimsdale, which arrived at Port Townsend last week from Antwerp, with full cargo of cement for Sound ports, will tow to Tacoma today to put out the balance of her cargo. She discharged some thousand barrels at Port Worden for the government work there in progress. The British ship Dalcairnie, Capt. O. Llewellyn, which arrived the first of the week from Ballard with lumber cargo for Melbourne, got her crew aboard yesterday morning and towed to sea in the afternoon.

The British bark Invermark, Capt. Bolderstone, arrived at Port Gamble from Port Blakeley to complete her lumber cargo from the Puget Mill Company. She is under charter to J. J. Moore & Co., and is bound for Fremantle.

The American barkentine S. G. Wilder, Capt. Jackson, sailed yesterday afternoon from Winslow bound to San Francisco in ballast, where she will load cargo for a West Coast port. The Wilder arrived in ballast September 18 last, seeking a charter, but was unable to secure one, and has been laid up ever since that date.

A remarkably long voyage is reported by the French ship Bayonne, out 559 days from Dunkirk for San Francisco. Heavy weather, in which the captain was lost and ship damaged so she had to put into port for repairs, caused the lengthy and severe voyage.

FOUR ARE COMING.

Many Liners Now En Route Here—Keemun Shelters in Roads.

Steamer Keemun came into the Royal Roads yesterday and anchored on account of the snowstorm when on her way to Tacoma from Vancouver. She proceeds to the Sound this morning to load further cargo for her outward voyage. There are now four Oriental liners en route from Yokohama to this port, the steamer Athenian of the C. P. R., due on the 24th; steamer Shinano Maru of the N. Y. K. line, due on the 21st; steamers Pleiades and Shawmut, both of which are expected about the same time as the Japanese liner.

The Shawmut, according to a cablegram received by the management, sailed January 3 from Kobe, with passengers and a cargo of Oriental merchandise. December 28 the company's freighter Pleiades put to sea from Yokohama for this port.

Last Monday the company's steamship Tremont began her return voyage from Manila. She is returning by way of Hongkong and Japanese ports. It is expected that she will reach here February 11. The freighter Hyades is reported to have arrived at Yokohama January 6 from Seattle.

MARINE NOTES.

A telegram received yesterday reports that the bark Abby Palmer, from Hawaii for Delaware breakwater, has been held at Marcus Hook, on the Eastern coast, on account of the appearance of a case of beri-beri on board the vessel. The Palmer is laden with a cargo of sugar. The Abby Palmer is well known here. She came here dismasted eighteen months ago, and was libelled by the steamer which brought her to Victoria. She is the vessel, too, which collided with R. M. S. Empress of Japan off Cape Flattery a few years ago.

The libel suit brought by the owners of the British ship Ancona against the German ship Neck, for damage resulting from a collision, has been dismissed, the matter being settled out of court.

The United States navy department has cut in half dock charges at Puget Sound navy yard. Hereafter vessels of over 4,000 tons can be docked at five cents per ton, instead of 10, as heretofore.

Steamer Queen sailed for San Francisco last night. The passengers from Victoria were: P. Bouhay and daughter, A. E. Ormond, Mrs. F. R. Lynne, William Redmond, J. H. West and wife, Mrs. H. M. Swale, H. J. Bobille, D. Corrivau, jr., and Miss B. Hall.

Capt. Manter, of the tug Sea Lion, whose license was suspended by the United States inspectors for a period of six months, as a result of the collision between his tug and the steamer Mainlander, has won in his appeal before Supervising Inspector Birmingham. Capt. Birmingham reduced the time of suspension to forty-five days. This time has been served by Capt. Manter and he can now resume command of the Sea Lion.

It is stated there were more vessels cleared and larger cargo values carried from San Francisco to Japan, China, and other countries in the Orient, in the year just closed than in any previous year since the export trade was inaugurated between this coast and Asia.

NEW C. P. R. BOATS.

Twenty Knots an Hour—Best Boats on the St. Lawrence Route.

The plans of the two new boats which Mr. Arthur Piers, manager of steamships of the C. P. R., brought over with him from England have been accepted by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president, and the members of the executive.

The two new boats, when built and delivered, which will be in April, 1906, will mark a new era in the passenger service on the St. Lawrence route. There are certain secrets of construction, and especially of internal arrangement, which Mr. Piers yesterday laughingly said that he could not disclose, but it can be said that the two vessels will be superior, in all essential regards, to anything that has been seen or will be seen for many years to come on the St. Lawrence route.

The length of the boats will be 550 feet; beam, 65 feet. The registration will be 14,500 tons. There will be accommodation for three hundred first-class passengers; 350 second-class, and a thousand third-class passengers. The speed will be twenty knots an hour. That is to say, the boats will be built with the object in view of attaining to this speed, which, however, will not always be exerted. The boats will be built with special strength in the forward parts to resist pressure. The type is new and will be realized from a design which the C. P. R. has made its own. This is a secret.

The turbine engine will not be used.

"I thought that was now considered to be the best and to give the greatest speed?"

"The turbine may do so," said Mr. Piers, "that is for the future to reveal. Our boats will have quadruple expansion engines."

The boats are to be built by the Messrs. Fairfield & Co., of Glasgow.

The judges at the London dog shows do not allow the rank of the exhibitors to affect their decision. On King Edward's dogs gone received more than a third prize at the last show.

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POULTRY OF HIGH DEGREE

Visiting Judge and Critic Praises the Standard of Victoria Exhibits.

Judge C. G. Hinds is of the opinion that the Victoria poultry exhibition is the best balanced show that he has seen during his trip around the Pacific Coast. The Buff Orpingtons and White Wyandottes were very good, the latter class being the feature of the show. The Barred and White Plymouth Rock classes are also very good. The latest awards are as follows:

White Plymouth Rocks—1st pen, 1st, Machlin & Hodgson, score 188.3.

Buff Plymouth Rocks—1st pen, 1st, Machlin & Hodgson, score 182.5.

Barred Plymouth Rocks—1st pen, 1st, Mrs. E. Hodgson, score 183.05; 2nd pen, 1st, W. Bickford, score 179; 3rd pen, 1st, J. H. Hughes, score 177.58.

White Wyandottes—1st pen, S. Y. Wootton, score 186.75; 2nd pen, 1st, Mrs. A. E. Richards, score 183.

Partridge Wyandottes—1st pen, W. A. Jameson, score 183.58.

Rhode Island Reds (S. C.)—1st pen, G. Anderson, score 182.66.

Rhode Island Reds (R. S.)—1st pen, O. B. Ormond.

Light Brahmas—1st pen, H. Hodgson, score 187.5.

Brown Leghorns—1st pen, Machlin & Hodgson, score 186.33; 2nd pen, 1st, Mrs Beddis, score 183.58.

White Leghorns—1st pen, J. J. Dougan, score 187.83; 2nd pen, S. Y. Wootton, score 187.58; 3rd pen, M. Blackstock, score 187.41.

Black Minorcas—1st pen, M. Blackstock, score 187.66; 2nd pen, M. Blackstock, score 186.16.

Blue Andalusians—2nd pen, Mrs. Bradley Dyne, score 178.25.

Golden Spangled Hamburgs—1st pen, Machlin & Hodgson, score 189.75; highest pen in the show.

Silver Spangled Hamburgs—1st pen, Machlin & Hodgson, score 184.58.

Red Caps—1st pen, I. J. Shepherd, score 186.33.

Silver Grey Dorkings—1st pen, D. W. Mainguy, score 185.5.

Buff Orpingtons—1st pen, Quick Bros., score 184.16; 2nd pen, Machlin & Hodgson, score 183.58; 3rd pen, S. Y. Wootton, score 182.08.

White Orpingtons—1st pen, Quick Bros.

Black Orpingtons—2nd pen, Quick Bros.

Cats, Black—Male, 1st, Mrs. A. E. Richards. Female, 1st, Mrs. A. E. Richards.

Kittens—1st, Miss E. Reade.

Angora—Male, 2nd, Miss E. Reade.

White Cats—Female, 1st, A. E. Richards.

The 3rd prize for Buff Orpington cockerel was won by S. Y. Wootton.

PERSONAL.

R. W. Lennie, in advance of the Mantelli grand opera forces, is a guest at the Driard.

H. W. Findley has returned from San Francisco.

F. M. Dunn and J. T. Norton, jr., of San Francisco, are guests at the Hotel Driard.

A. E. Ormond left for San Francisco last evening by the direct steamer Queen.

George L. Courtney, traffic manager of the E. & N., returned from the Sound last evening.

Stephen Jones returned from Seattle by the Princess Beatrice yesterday.

B. R. Seabrook and R. T. Elliott came over from the Mainland last night.

G. H. Hadwen, Duncans; J. H. Blockley, Nanaimo, and A. Howe, Chemainus, are guests at the Victoria.

L. J. Cooper, Vancouver, and A. McKay and wife, Vancouver, are staying at the New England.

J. J. Graves, San Francisco, is a guest at the Driard.

S. C. Bell, Duncans; W. H. Duncan, wife and child, Regina, are at the Dominion.

Miss Exley, North Saanich; Mrs. Bradley-Dyne, Saturna Island; W. A. Cutler, Vancouver; Thos. Glelnogel, Seattle; P. M. Beasley, Vancouver, are guests at the Vernon.

F. W. Churchouse, San Francisco; E. Cook, Vancouver, and S. B. Hill, Seattle, are at the Driard.

BLOCKADE RUNNER NAILED.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—(1 a. m.)—The Japanese torpedo boat destroyer No. 72 captured the British steamer Lethington in Tsusitima straits last Thursday and brought her to Sasebo to be tried by the prize court. The Lethington is reported to have a cargo of coal for Vladivostok.

GOTCH A WONDER.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Frank Gotch tonight at Sohmer park, before a crowd of 3,000 people, again demonstrated his superiority over "Yankee" Rogers, defeating him in two straight falls catch-as-catch-can, the first in 34:40 and the second in 19:14. Gotch had the best of it all through and gave Rogers a cruel gruelling.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Jan. 13—8 p. m.

SYNOPSIS.

An important storm area now centered off Oregon is slowly moving down the coast; it is causing an easterly gale on the coast from Cape Flattery to the Columbia river. Considerable snow has fallen in this vicinity and the adjoining states, and rain is becoming general throughout California. The temperature is below zero between the ranges, and across the continent to Lake Superior, and sharp frosts have again spread southward to the Lower Mississippi valley.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	27	31
New Westminster	26	36
Kamloops	— 4	8
Barkerville	—16	— 4
Fort Simpson	26	32
Dawson, Y. T.	—14	—12
Calgary, Alta.	—16	— 6
Winnipeg, Man.	—28	—10
Portland, Ore.	26	03
San Francisco, Cal.	48	56

FORECASTS

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Saturday:

Victoria and vicinity: Northerly and easterly winds; unsettled, with sleet or snow.

Lower Mainland: Winds mostly northerly and easterly; unsettled, with sleet or snow.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	29	Mean	29
Noon	29	Highest	31
5 p.m.	31	Lowest	27

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 16 miles northeast.
Noon ..... 12 miles northeast.
5 p.m. ..... 16 miles northeast.

Average state of weather—Snowing.

Snow—4.5 inches.

Barometer at noon—Observed 30.012
Corrected 30.059

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 30.08

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TAXATION OF LAND.

It will probably be too much to expect that the present commission will arrive at a perfect solution of all the questions that are arising in connection with the subject in hand. It ought, however, to arrive at a few principles to determine the course to take in the great majority of instances. The most difficult matter of all to deal with is probably that of land. There are so many conditions affecting it, and so many grades of improvement and values that no system of classification has yet been made to equitably deal with each. There is the timbered land valuable for timber only; there is the land that is timbered principally valuable for its use for agriculture after being cleared; there is the land that is valuable only for the minerals it may contain; and there is the land which has no value at all. How to determine the proper method of assessing these for purposes of taxation is not easy. In this Province there are so many kinds of land even within comparatively small areas, that the difficulty is greatly increased thereby. In some instances the assessor is faced with all the different conditions referred to in one piece of land. We are, however, for the present more particularly interested in farm lands, especially in lands that are being divided up for settlement. It is alleged that in the Okanagan district, for instance, that land after being divided up and sold to settlers is taxed at a much higher value than it was before being cut up. Of course, the land is really more valuable after than before, but it is so by reason of the improvements and settlement. So administered the act cannot be held to be an encouragement of the small holding principle. It is also held that orchards should not be taxed before they are bearing, and there is much reason in the suggestion to recommend it. In connection with heavily timbered land say in the Lower Fraser valley, one hundred and sixty acres with five or six acres of clearing are assessed as improved land. As soon, however, as the same land is divided up all the other parts upon which there is no clearing immediately becomes wild land and are assessed as such. In other words, the owner is penalized for doing something which is palpably in the public interest that he should do. These are a few of the details which require consideration. Every effort at improvement should be encouraged, and under the present system, even although the general incidence may be fair, there are instances of inequity not taken into consideration in the framing of the Act. In dealing with land there is always the difficulty of dealing with it apart from improvements. It is generally considered to be good policy to as far as possible exempt improvements and place the taxation on the land; but if the land is made valuable by the improvements, you are really taxing the improvements in taxing the land. The basis of assessment is the price that property will bring on the open market at a forced sale. In assessing small farms, after an estate has been divided up, the selling price governs, and the selling value has greatly increased over what it was en bloc. There is at least an apparent injustice as the result of what is in the line of progress and improvement; and yet it is very hard to apply the principle that is at the bottom of the Assessment Act without permitting such an injustice to exist.

BALFOUR AND THE FISCAL QUESTION.

Much comment is made on the fact that Premier Balfour at the Glasgow dinner practically evaded discussion of the issue created by Mr. Chamberlain with respect to his proposed fiscal policy. The occasion was one upon which he was expected to review the policy of the Government, and the fiscal question is one which exceeds all other public issues in interest and importance at the present time. That he should have omitted making reference to it, except very indirectly, is remarkable. Of course, the issue is one which requires delicate handling on the part of the Premier. It is one, however, upon which he cannot for ever maintain "an open mind," and to speak at all on it is to express an opinion favorable or unfavorable to Mr. Chamberlain. Undoubtedly, he is more or less in sympathy of the policy of his former colleague, but his own party is divided on it, and he is evidently steering clear of complications until such time as the House is ready for dissolution. He can then make announcement of policy on his own part, and in the elections which follow it will be the supreme issue. New party affiliations will have been formed, and on that question many Conservatives and Liberal-Unionists will join hands with Liberals in opposing Mr. Chamberlain, while undoubtedly there will be many Liberals supporting him. It will be reopening the old question of Free Trade and Protection, which up till within a year or so ago was thought have to have been dead and forever buried. The question will be practically the same, but the conditions are different. When Free Trade triumphed in Great Britain that country was supreme in trade, commerce, industry and shipping. It was thought that with this supremacy in business the world would be forced to follow her example. It was thought, too, that her supremacy with Free Trade would increase. Almost the very opposite has happened. All the other nations of the world have adopted high protection, and the tendency, except perhaps in the United States, is protective rather than otherwise. Great Britain no longer occupies a position of supremacy. In her experience during the past 25 years the theories of Cobden have been more or less upset, proving that in political economy no more than anything else can a hard and fast principle be uniformly and invariably applied to all conditions. The very facts that supported Free Trade when Cobden was making his campaign now support Mr. Chamberlain. It is all a question of conditions. They change, and in our fiscal policy we must change with them. Therefore, in a question upon which opinion is so strongly divided Premier Balfour cannot afford to take a position which will alienate the support necessary to carry him through the coming session of Parliament. This may not be regarded as courageous, but it is highly expedient. No doubt when the time comes to take a side, it will be along with the leader of the protectionist movement. His carefully guarded references to the colonies show where his sympathies are. When he said he would "rather fail with those who held the great ideal which he saw before him than success with purblind, narrow-minded, unimaginative persons whose views never got beyond their own parish," there is no doubt what he had in mind and who the "persons" so designated are.

THE OPENING OF THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT.

Parliament at Ottawa opened we are told with unusually brilliant ceremonies and display, to mark the coming into office of the new Governor-General, to whom fitting reference was made in the Speech from the Throne. Nothing of very special importance is contained in that document, except the announcement that an international commission has been formed for the purpose of reporting upon the conditions and uses of the waters adjacent to the boundary line between the United States and Canada, and to make recommendations for their improvement and regulation in the interest of navigation. The terms of the announcement are somewhat vague and indefinite, and it is not quite certain what conditions are referred to. The great prosperity of the country, and the satisfactory way in which the Northwest is filling up, are dwelt upon. A note of Imperialism is sounded in the hope that character and prosperity "will add strength to the Empire," of which we are so important a part. A bill is promised having in view provincial autonomy in the Northwest Territories. It is not intimated whether there will be more than one province, or whether it is proposed to extend the boundaries of Manitoba at the same time. The only other reference of importance is that to the vigorous prosecution of the surveys of the Grand Trunk Pacific, the hope being expressed that contracts for construction will be able to be let during the coming season. To judge by the Speech from the Throne, the session will not be a long one this time. It should not occupy more than three months at the longest. Coming after the elections there will not be a disposition to protract debate. The bill in reference to provincial autonomy in the Northwest will in all probability occupy some time. All the provinces are indirectly affected, and the opportunity will be afforded for a review of federal relations generally. We shall, therefore, not be surprised to see British Columbia's case receive some attention, and if our representatives are true to the interests of the Province they will take advantage of such an occasion to press home our claims for increased consideration.

It is satisfactory to note that Mr. Borden will continue to be the leader of the Conservative party in Canada. There will undoubtedly be little difficulty in securing a seat for him, and it is not at all improbable that he will be elected by acclamation. In the meantime the leadership will fall upon Hon. Mr. Foster, a task for which in the House he is eminently well qualified.

PROVINCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

We are told that the Eastern Provinces do not regard with any danger the acquirement of additional territory, even though the territory acquired is of the nature of "wilds." We do not, of course, know really how the Eastern Provinces regard the matter, whether favorably or unfavorably. They have not probably thought of it to any serious extent; but on the question involved of the increased responsibility to the Province of providing for population, the result of efforts, partly those of the Dominion, and partly of the Provinces themselves, we have the statements of Hon. S. N. Parent and Hon. G. W. Ross, which were incorporated in the memorandum submitted to Sir Wilfrid Laurier by the Provincial Premiers. These certainly do not emanate from "across James Bay." If what they say be true as applicable to the Eastern Provinces, how much more true is it as applied to British Columbia, in which the conditions complained of are very much emphasized? It would be ridiculous to ask British Columbia to take over the Yukon on terms similar to those under which this Province entered Confederation. If all the revenue produced by the Yukon from the first was necessary to provide for its requirements, we should be very badly off indeed with it, but without the revenue from customs and inland revenue, which go to Ottawa. We should at least require a sum equivalent to that derived from these sources to assume the responsibility. The thousands who come into the Province as the result of railway building are all taxable, but the taxation does not in British Columbia equal the expenditure entailed in meeting the wants of the settler. After the C. P. R. was built into the Province and was in operation, although the Provincial revenue jumped up tremendously as a consequence, the expenditure went up at a much more rapid rate; and until the present year the breach between revenue and expenditure was growing wider, despite the large increase of population and the railway development that has gone on. This is not an argument against railways and population, but it is an argument for the necessity for receiving larger subsidies from the Dominion as an allowance for the conditions which exist here to make administration so much more costly than in other Provinces. It is an argument which should have the support of every man and every newspaper in British Columbia, irrespective of political leanings. The political complexion of the McBride or the Laurier Governments has nothing whatever to do with the merits of our claims against the Dominion. It will be found that Mr. Haultain, having the experience of British Columbia and other Provinces in view, will make careful provision for financial arrangements for the new Northwest Province. It is then we should make our case vigorously known in Parliament.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

"PLUMPING."

Sir—The unexpected result of the ballot in North Ward appears to have been brought about by 126 persons plumping for their favorites, who by thus neglecting to discharge their full public duty, threw away no less than 252 valuable votes. If these votes had been cast, it is safe to assume that the returning officer would have had a different tale to tell. It is regrettable that under our laws plumping is permissible. In most advanced communities a ballot paper marked with less than the number of candidates to be elected is utterly void, and it would be in the best interests of the city if an amendment to our constitution to this effect could be brought about at an early date.

Compulsory voting would, in my opinion (although possibly involving inconvenience in some cases), be attended with beneficial results, and would certainly avoid the shock now frequently experienced when election returns are known.

SIGMA.

THE SALE OF LANDS.

Sir—The report of my evidence before the assessment commissioners which appeared in this morning's Colonist does not clearly define the main point of my contention regarding the administration of the public lands of the province.

I therefore beg to briefly outline the same. The provincial government is the trustee of an immense estate, and the principal item in that estate is the public land of the province. This asset will bring in vast returns, if properly administered. In fact, it should be one of the main sources of revenue for years to come. The government is, so to speak, "land poor." What inducement is the government offering to capitalists to invest in land? Answer—An ad valorem tax of five per cent. upon all lands that may be purchased. I ask, is this a business proposition, to invite the moneyed man to part with his cash for broad acres?

I know of some instances where the former wild land tax of 2½ per cent. had been paid for 20 years, and then finally the poor investor had to surrender it back to the government for the taxes. The poor investor has as much right to consideration as the poor settler or the poor prospector.

Under the present tax of 5 per cent. upon wild land, most of it must revert to the crown; it is so outrageously high that it is tantamount to confiscation. I contend that the government should survey and classify their lands, and sell them at reasonable taxation, so that it may be bringing in a large revenue. Why should the government squeeze the last drop of blood out of the much-maligned investor in the unproductive lands of the province?

The present system of leasing and licensing timber lands is not in the true interest of the province. Its whole tendency is towards the wanton destruction of our forests. The system of allowing the woodsman for a small consideration to pick out the choicest spots, and then permit him to take only the choicest portions of the choicest trees of the finest timber in the world, and leave the remainder to form a mass of debris, as a fire-trap for the entire country for miles around, is a policy which is fast making a barren wilderness of a large portion of our fair province.

There are large areas of land which must ever remain an unproductive asset to the province unless sold at a low price, and subject to a small taxation. I again reiterate that the tax of 5 per cent. upon the wild lands of this country is a most suicidal policy, considering the financial condition of the province.

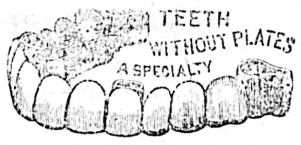
During the past year, when there was an active demand for timber land, the government would probably have realized well nigh half a million dollars from the sale of timber land at an upset price of $5 per acre, and it would still be subject to taxation and royalty of 50 cents per thousand.

Why lock the door to such a source of revenue?

The bogie that has frequently been advanced—that the lands of the province will be bought by land grabbers and speculators—is one of those sentimental scare crows which the political demagogue is ever dangling before the electorate of this country. The man who pays the government $5 per acre in cash and an annual tax thereon, is not a sort of individual that the government of this struggling province can afford to discountenance. Is he as dangerous as the pulp land hypnotizer, who can tie up a whole countryside with the shadow of a pulp mill prospective in imagination? There are many other features in connection with this important question, but the above will suffice to indicate the main point at issue.

W. J. SUTTON.

Victoria, January 13, 1905.



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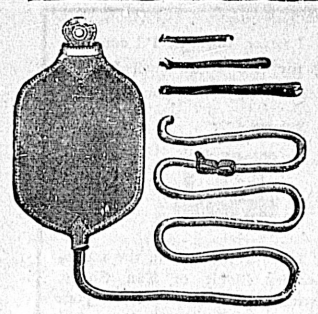

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Burns' Anniversary — The various Scottish societies are contemplating arranging a more than usually pretentious celebration of Burns' anniversary this year—which falls on the 25th of the month. The immortal Scottish bard of unperishable memory is annually held in remembrance the world over and Victoria in this regard will not be behind other points.

Belated Delights.—Yesterday evening at the Church of Our Lord, R. E., the little folk of the Sunday school enjoyed their somewhat belated Christmas tree and entertainment—enjoyed them in no whit less, it may also be said, because of their coming as an aftermath of the holidays. Christmas trees, like many other good things, are better late than never.

Shovellers Busy—Shopkeepers' assistants on the various business streets of the city were busy yesterday afternoon and evening in the task of removing the snow from the sidewalk in front of their various premises. The city ordinance, which requires that snow must be removed within 24 hours, is being strictly enforced this year, and as a consequence the sound of the shovel made life interesting on Government and other main streets yesterday afternoon.

Missing Children—After another day of unceasing search, the large crowd which left Nanaimo on Thursday in an effort to find some trace of the lost children, returned without finding any trace whatever toward solving the mystery that has surrounded the disappearance of the two little girls on Tuesday last. The first company which left at an early hour yesterday was followed by a second after noon, and both parties, after thoroughly examining all round where the search was left off on Wednesday night had to give up for the day with no further evidence whatever to reward them for their efforts.

Donations Acknowledged—It may be of interest to some of those who take note of the works of love and charity carried on in Victoria to know that the Refuge Home was not forgotten at Christmas. Useful and cheering presents were sent to the matrons and inmates by the following friends of the work: Mrs. Siddall, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Munsie, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. William Grant, Mrs. D. Spencer, Mrs. C. Spencer, Mrs. Shakespeare, Mrs. Pendray, Miss Ward, Mrs. C. Todd, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mr. Mowat, Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Mrs. Searon, a friend, Mrs. Meston, Mrs. Spofford and Mrs. Brayshaw.

Full Court.—In the Full court yesterday argument was concluded in the case of Brown vs. Spruce Creek Power Co., and judgment reserved. Judgment was also reserved in the case of Johnson vs. Appleton. F Higgins for plaintiff (appellant), J. H. Lawson, jun., for defendant (respondent). Re the Assessment Act and the Port Simpson Land Co., O. L. Spencer for company (appellant), J. Elliott for assessor, the appeal was allowed and the question of costs reserved. The court adjourned until Monday, when the case of the Attorney-General vs. the C. P. R. Co. will be heard.

A Claim for Consideration.—In connection with the recent particularly sad death in this city of Mr. James B. Colvin, of hydrophobia resulting from the bite of a wolf at Whitehorse, representations are being made to Ottawa, endorsed by all the Liberal members of the local and Dominion houses, suggesting that some special vote may be made for the aid of the widow and orphans, in view of the fact that the wolf was owned by the Government and improperly secured. It is fully expected that the government will willingly set aside some sum of money as a matter of belated justice, in a most distressing case.

Election Aftermath—Much discussion ensued yesterday respecting the result of the municipal elections and the general consensus of opinion was that a good strong board of aldermen has been elected. A number of the successful candidates are publishing cards of thanks for the measure of support accorded them. At Monday evening's meeting of the council the various standing committees will be drafted for the year. Owing to the large element of new blood in the council there will be material changes in the heads of such committees. Ald. Goodacre will probably remain as chairman of the park committee, while Ald. Elford will likely retain his position as chairman of the cemetery committee. Ald. Fell will probably be left in undisputed possession as chairman of the Old Men's Home committee, and it is not at all improbable that Ald. Stewart will be made chairman of the finance committee. Ald. Oddy no doubt will retain the chairmanship of the fire wardens.

MUTINY AND DEATH ON GUNBOAT PADILLA

Mutineers Killed Officers and Tossed Bodies Overboard Capt. Was Britisher.

Mail advices have been received here from Panama of a mutiny on board the gunboat Padilla. The body of the Peruvian who purchased the gunboat Padilla, at Panama, and sailed in her for Callao, was picked up at sea by the steamer Chile. John McConnell, chief steward of the City of Para, which arrived at San Francisco, said that he was given the information by various officers of the Chile while she was at Panama.

When the story reached Panama that the body of the Peruvian owner of the former rebel gunboat had been found at sea by the Chile, McConnell went aboard the Chile and was told by Steward McCarter and the mate that the story was true. The Peruvian's body, they said, showed five deep stab wounds. McConnell was also shown a telegram at the isthmus, received by a man named Clark, in the employ of the railroad, stating that the mutinous crew of the Padilla had killed all the white officers. The telegram, which came from some point south of the isthmus, had, in fact, first started the report at the isthmus.

At Panama, according to officers of the City of Para and Acapulco, the British minister had expressed his intention of calling upon his government for a warship to search for the Padilla, since her commander, Captain Hugh Clark, was a British subject. With him on the Padilla when she left Panama were his wife and child. The isthmian newspapers had only a brief account of the mutiny on the Padilla, and it is said that there was an apparent disposition on the part of the authorities at Panama to smother news of the tragedy.

Memorial Service.—A memorial service for the late Mrs. F. H. Maitland-Dougall, of Duncans, who was first provincial secretary of that organization, will be held by the King's Daughters tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in their rooms on Fort street.

Flockmasters' Dinner—The annual dinner of the Vancouver Island Flockmasters' Association will be held at the Quamichan hotel on Wednesday, the 18th, at 8 p. m. This dinner is usually a great success, and it promises to be especially so this year, as a good attendance is expected. The Lieut.-Governor, Hon. Richard McBride, premier, Hon. Mr. Tatlow, W. J. R. Anderson, Department of Agriculture, R. W. Palmer, of the immigration office, the American consul, W. A. Smith, W. R. Smith and W. J. Evans, M. P. P., and the reeve have been invited.

Mr. Smith for the Cabinet.—The rumor finds its way to the coast from Ottawa, in connection with the persistent declaration that Senator Templeman's objections to his elevation to the Lieut.-Governorship have been overruled, that upon his acceptance of residence at Government House, Mr. Ralph Smith, M. P., will be given a seat in the Dominion cabinet, as minister of labor and statistics—not as minister of mines, as previously suggested. Whatever arrangement is made, it appears to be generally agreed that Mr. Smith is the next in line among British Columbia's federal representatives for elevation in the party councils.

Mock Parliament—Last evening a largely attended meeting of Y. M. C. A. members was held, when the question of organizing a mock parliament came up for consideration. John Nelson occupied the chair and on motion it was decided the leaders of the government and opposition sides should be John Nelson and W. F. Pullan respectively. They then proceeded to select the members of their parties from among those present. It was decided to request H. Siddall to perform the duties of Lieut.-Governor on the opening day of the session, which will be Friday next. In the speech from the throne the government is expected to enunciate a vigorous policy which will be the basis for a very interesting debate.

COUNTERFEIT BILLS

Of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in Circulation in Puget Sound Cities.

A daagerous counterfeit in the shape of $5 bills purporting to have been issued by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking corporation of Shanghai, are being circulated in Seattle and other of the larger Sound towns, probably also in Victoria. The United States secret service office has sent out warning notices to banks and efforts are being made to apprehend the circulators of the bogus notes. It is thought that the bills were brought on the steamship Quito, from China, two weeks ago and a number of them were, it is said, passed in Tacoma by sailors from that vessel. The counterfeits are considerably larger than the American currency, and are, in shape, almost square. Both Chinese and English lettering appear on them, and they are purported to be signed by G. G. Forsyth, as accountant, and W. A. Gardiner, manager of the bank. So intricate is the design of the bill that it is considered particularly difficult to counterfeit. Those in circulation in this city, however, are well done, and display infinite patience in the manufacture. The correct paper is used, and the most suspicious part of the bill on first sight is in the press work, which does not show up plainly.

What Some People Say

That one could divine in less than three guesses just what the people were after when they went into the shoe stores yesterday.

That it was a fortunate thing the roof was on the new Trounce avenue skyscraper before the snow came.

That liquor dealers will now take a night school course on racial peculiarities.

That while some are born to trouble and others have trouble thrust upon them, there still are others who voluntarily go into the City Council.

That a new edition of Liars We Have Met is now in preparation by the defeated candidates in collaboration.

That the owner of a horse and cutter now takes precedence of the possessor of a red automobile.

That before the ink is dry in the odes to beautiful snow, the name of the aforesaid will be slush.

That all Victoria's embryonic Napoleons are now rehearsing the first chapter in their careers, storming the snow fortifications.

That he who hesitates as to sleigh-riding stands a poor chance of revelling in the delights that come to the man who can drive with one hand.

That on the night of an election the man who answers the telephone in a newspaper office is excused from all the general restrictions as to profanity.

That the man with the roseate proboscis needs no excuse these days.

That it wouldn't do for John Houston to get dyspepsia just now and send for Dr. Rose.

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BULKLEY VALLEY.

Encouraging Report From Promising Northern Section of Province.

Attention has been drawn intermittently to the prospective settlement of the Bulkley valley and other fertile regions in the northern part of the province.

It will be remembered that most encouraging reports were had concerning the character of this country, not only from individual prospectors and others who casually traversed it, but from explorers specially commissioned by the government.

It is every day becoming more manifest that something greater than a superficial faith has been created in the prospects, which this great territory has to offer to those who are seeking to better their condition in life. The passage of one or two families and individual settlers en route to the Bulkley valley has already been chronicled in the press, and it is well known that a great many residents in the Coast cities have either acquired or are preparing to acquire lands there, with a view to settlement in the district.

Speaking of this subject yesterday, Mr. R. M. Palmer, of the Provincial Bureau of Information, observed that the correspondence with parties seeking information about the Ootsa Lake and Bulkley Valley districts was one of the remarkable features of his departmental work. There inquiries are not merely the expression of popular curiosity concerning this part of the country, but in most cases suggest that the writers are looking seriously toward these regions as homes for themselves and their families. In this connection it is notable that these inquiries are not confined to residents of localities which might be considered to be more within the sphere of intelligence from this country. Many of the letters come from distant parts of Eastern Canada, and some from states on the Atlantic sea board.

Only a few days ago the information bureau received a visit from a gentleman residing in Boston, Mass., who proposes to establish a colony in the new land during the coming summer, and who it is said has already made arrangements toward the consummation of this object.

From advices in possession of the bureau, it is beyond doubt that the spring of 1905 will witness a considerable immigration into the now unpopulated valleys of the north. Plans have already been formed for the shipment of supplies by different parties of colonists into the Bulkley vally during the present winter. These supplies will be sent in over the ice from Hazelton. The immigrants will follow later on in the spring, over the trail via Hazelton. The settlers who are going into the Ootsa Lake district, of whom there will probably be a considerable number, will go in by the way of Bella Coola.

It is a tribute to the character of the country that quite a number of settlers had planned to invade these distant parts of the province even before the promise of a railway took definite shape. Naturally the development of the Grand Trunk Pacific project has served to stimulate the action of intending settlers, and the prospects are that the parties who will seek the new land this summer are but the advance guard of an ever-growing host which will ultimately carry the blessings of civilization to those isolated parts, and establish a greater British Columbia in the north.

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Will Build Railway—The Quong Tuck Co. of Seattle, Wash., has secured an order for equipment for construction of a new railroad in China to run from Sun Ning northward into the province of Canton. Ultimately the line will be extended to Fuchan, to connect with a line running to Canton.

HEALTHY AND VIGOROUS.

Mr. John Shelton, the well known bridge builder, of 101 Sherwood St., Ottawa, states: "I have used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for kidney and liver derangements brought on by exposure, and find them better than any pill or medicine I ever used. They cleansed my system and made me feel healthy and vigorous, and better in every way."

Navy League.—At the monthly meeting of the Victoria-Esquimalt branch of the Navy League considerable discussion took place in regard to the removal of the warships from Esquimalt, and the memorial of the branch which had been sent to the admiralty. The committee noted with pleasure that the Board of Trade had dealt with the same question. The next meeting of the branch will be held on the second Wednesday in February.

The Police Grist—George Young, a piano player at local resorts, who claims to be an army captain, was placed under arrest yesterday by Constable Woods. He is charged with having passed worthless, probably forged, cheques. He passed two cheques, both for small amounts, one for five dollars, the other for eight dolars. The cheques were made payable to himself and were signed by one McKay. Frank Norris was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment in the police court yesterday for stealing a pair of boots. The Chinese perjury case was called, but again remanded.

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SPORTING NEWS.

BILLIARDS.

The Driard Tournament.

The game in the Driard tournament last night resulted in a victory for Mr. Ellis, rec. 40, who beat Mr. Menzies, rec. 40, by 300 points to 213. The game between Warden and Geiger will be played tonight, but the piece de resistance of the programme will be the match between Mr. Routledge, scratch, and Mr. Cave, rec. 30. This will be a splendid game and a large crowd is expected to attend.

BASKETBALL.

Victoria West vs. Ladysmith.

Ladysmith, B. C., Jan. 13.—On Saturday evening Ladysmith people will have a splendid evening's sport. At 8:30 p. m. the Victoria West basketball five, the champions of British Columbia, will meet the local team in what is expected and what will no doubt prove to be a very fast game, well worth witnessing. The boys are getting down to practice again, and they will need it all when they meet the doughty boys from the western suburb of the capital. The Ladysmith team has a good record this season, having only lost one game out of five, and that by the narrow margin of one point. The Victoria boys can boast of a record just as good, but no better as they lost their last game with the Bays after a great struggle. Which ever team wins, it will be another such struggle.

Fernwoods Victorious.

The Fernwoods won both their basketball matches last night against the Y. M. C. A. at the latter's hall. The intermediate score was 15-13 and the junior was 16-12. Both games were very hotly contested.

HOCKEY.

Match Postponed.

The hockey match between Victoria and the R. G. A. has been postponed until Jan. 28.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Games Postponed.

The deciding game between the North Ward and Capital teams for the junior championship which was to have been played at Oak Bay this afternoon has been postponed till the ground is in better shape. Referee Goward has decided that it would be unsafe and dangerous to have the game played under existing conditions and in the best interests of all concerned has decided to postpone it until a thaw clears off the bountiful supply of the beautiful and softens the ground so that the player may fall more easily.

The game between Victoria United and the Bonaventure has also been postponed and the match between the Capitals and Victoria West is expected to be put off until a later date.

THE RING.

Hill or Smith.

At this writing there's no telling who will furnish the main event in the Savoy theatre's boxing entertainment this month. Several matches have been discussed and have been abandoned for various causes. Yesterday the management was trying to smooth the way for a 20-round go between Collie Hill and Fred Smith of Seattle, and in all probability the match will be arranged. Judging from the interest taken in the management's efforts to bring the little fellows together, the contest will meet with ready favor among the patrons of the boxing game. The contest, if brought to a head, will take place on Thursday, Jan 26. Bobby Johnson, of San Francisco, who recently defeated Jockey Bennett in 14 rounds, will meet the winner.

Caesar Attell, well known here, is now engaged in the loan office business in San Francisco.

Clarke vs. Augustine.

The long looked for 20-round boxing contest between Bert Clarke of Denver and Harry Augustine of Glasgow will take place at Ladysmith tonight. This contest will be a terrific struggle, as both men are in first rate condition, and both are equally determined to win. A bumper house is expected, as the contest is guaranteed to be strictly on the square, the people's money being refunded if they do not give satisfaction. Both men are confident of victory and the sporting fraternity of Victoria are looking forward to the event with great interest, as the result may affect the coming contest in Victoria to some extent. Clarke has finished his hard training and is now going through light exercise. Little is heard of his antagonist, who is in Victoria, and arrives here Friday, but that he is fully prepared for the big event goes without saying.

THE KENNEL.

Vancouver's Decision.

The Vancouver club has decided upon the same course as the Victoria association, owing to the disorganization of the Western Kennel League. They will join the Canadian Kennel League and co-operate with the local club in the formation of an advisory board under the C. K. C. rules to govern British Columbia shows.

Parlor Show.

The Victoria Kennel Club will hold a parlor show on Wednesday, Jan. 25.

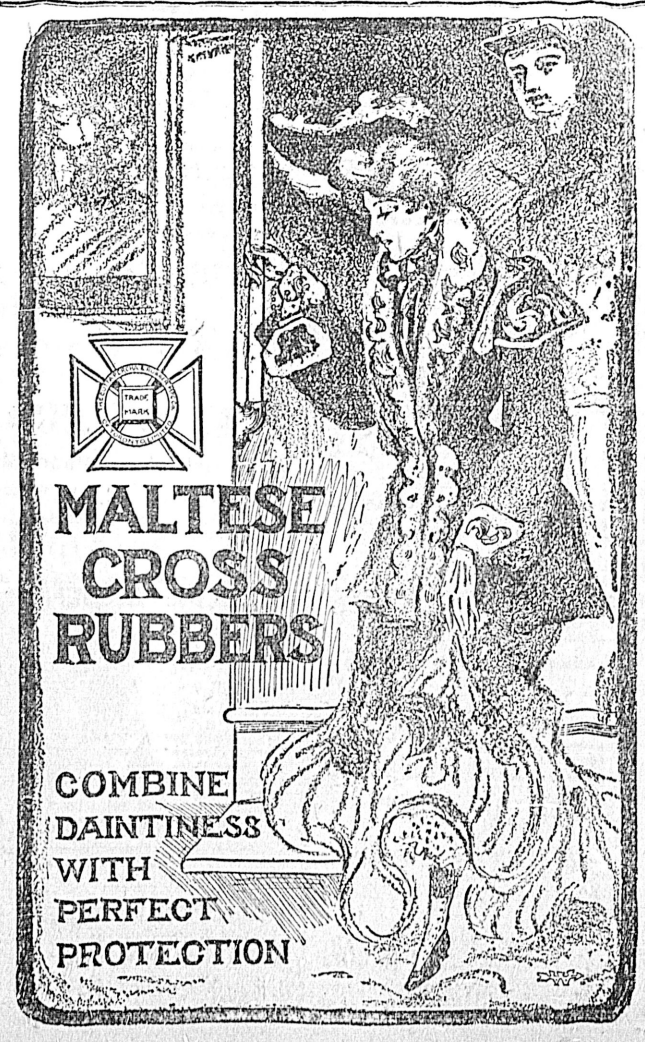
According to figures recently compiled the total track mileage and siding of British railways amounts to 50,729 miles.

An oyster containing pearls of the value of £250 was found by a fisherman at Neumunster, Germany, a few days ago.

European medical experts have come to the conclusion that boiled and sterilized milk is not as nutritious for infants as fresh milk.

More than 13,000,000 persons are enrolled in the Sunday schools of the country. In public schools the enrollment is more than 16,000,000, or only 3,000,000 more.

Hamburg is to have a school for training servants. It is not intended to compete with existing schools which provide training in domestic science for girls of well to do families.



THE PLAY HOUSES

Sir Anthony ..... Verner Clarges
Captain Absolute ..... Harold M. Shaw
Bob Acres ..... Wm. W. Jefferson
Sir Lucius O'Trigger....Jos. Jefferson, jr.
David ..... John S. Marble
Faulkner .....Arthur Stanford
Fag ..... Harry Odlin
Mrs. Malaprop ..... Frollett Paget
Lydia Languish ..... Blanche Bender
Lucy ..... Myrtle Chapman

Players of the proper sort—and none others would be found in the company personally selected by the dean of the American stage for his own support—require to be something of philosophers. If they were not, even the fire of genius, the high determination of the conscientious actor to be true to his art, and that fine recognition in honor of obligations to the audience, be it large or small, could not assure an even standard of thorough excellence in interpretation under some conditions. That Richard Brinsley Sheridan's classical comedy of manners was given with dignified devotion even to the smallest factors of shading and detail for the benefit of an almost microscopic and lukewarm audience at the Victoria yesterday evening—exactly as it has been and would be given to cheering thousands in the great critical cities of the earth—is higher testimony to the quality of the Jefferson players than volumes of fulsome, if sincere, laudation.

But oh the irony of it! The self-same Jefferson company, with but three exceptions, that has stood for years among the most honored of the representative bodies of American players, the idols of the cultured population centres, here in this isolated corner of the world received with an overwhelming majority of empty chairs, and the minority of humans congealed by the chill influence of comparative loneliness into most undemonstrative and grudging appreciation!

"The Rivals" is a play of subtle wit and fine analyses, of characters drawn with scholarly finesse and accuracy, of immortal individualities. It is enacted by leaders of the players' craft, who put good brains into their several impersonations. And so, of course, it does not draw the business or evoke the tumult of "Bravos!" There isn't a single Amazonian march with tinselled tights effulgent; nor are health food gaglets or the impossible buffoons of the twentieth century civilization at all in evidence. Therefore to the pines with such a show! Not for Victoria's money!

For those who in their old-fashioned way enjoy a play designed for and treasured long by thinking men and women "The Rivals" was a feast. To sketch even in merest outline the Sheridan comedy which alone has survived all contemporaneous productions of the playwright, were very much superfluous. Its continuous never-flagging interest, its excruciating dialogue and situations, never once asking the favor of literary license, its very human types, explain the open secret of its longevity and vigor, even in these little days of strong demand for mushrooms.

Of the Jefferson players, they were three exceptions, as said before, the original Joseph Jefferson support, these noted exceptions being Harold M. Shaw as "Captain Absolute," Myrtle Chapman as "Lucy," and William W. Jefferson as "Bob Acres," the part reserved to himself by Joseph I. The only real disappointment of the cast is found in the latter character. William W. Jefferson, with the best of intentions, cannot reincarnate the "Bob Acres" of the veteran. It misses the convincing quality, the boyish braggadocio with naive simplicity. It loses the true and admirable "Bob Acres" in the never-intended poltroon. This Jefferson the youngest has caught the tricks and mannerisms of his illustrious predecessor, but not the mantle of his genius. He gives a mere mechanical copy, unillumined by sympathy or earnestness or introspection, by the keen flashes of insight into the human heart, the delicate wit and grace and magnetism of the dean. With the "Sir Lucius O'Trigger" of Joseph Jefferson, jun., it is different. He is a notable actor by patent of his work, and presents the fire-eating, galalnt Irishman most satisfactorily.

But even then there are greater in the cast than he. Ffolliett Paget, who was brought from England in the years ago to succeed the late Mrs. Gilbert as "Mrs. Malaprop," could scarce be better in this part than she is. Even her gowns proclaim the character. And her fine elocution and exactly right treatment of the part at all times do her infinite credit. The same may be said of Verner Clarges' apoplectic and explosive "Sir Anthony," as virile and self-eliminating an individualization as Victoria has ever seen. Arthur Stanford does clean-cut work as "Faulkner," the misanthropic lover, and is amazingly fine in his elocution; and Blanche Bender (who has spent all her life with the Jefferson forces, since at four years of age she was "Meenie" in good old "Rip Van Winkle") is prettily sentimental and very feminine as the "Lydia Languish."

It is such a company as comes drifting by but once in a very azure moon. And doubtless it will be encouraged to come again by the fact that it very probably more than cleared enough to pay for the transfer of baggage and scenery.

MME. EUGENIA MANTELLI.

Mme. Mantelli, the famous prima donna who appears at the Victoria theatre next Tuesday evening, at the head of the Mantelli Operatic Company, made her professional debut at the age of 16, appearing in a grand tour of Milan, Rome, Naples, Venice, and other Italian cities. Her career now fixed, she next appeared as leading mezzo-soprano at the San Carlo theatre, Lisbon, Spain. She next appeared at Buenos Ayres, South America, and very shortly became the idol of the South Americans. Returning to Italy, her fame had reached Maurice Grau, and he made a special journey from New York to Milan to hear her sing. The result was a five-year contract at an enormous salary for the Grau company at the Metropolitan opera house, New York. At the conclusion of her New York contract, Mme. Mantelli made a tour of the principal cities of Europe with Sig. Tamango, winning fresh laurels in Paris, Berlin, Vienna, St. Petersburg, and elsewhere. Three years ago she returned to Lisbon to sing at the San Carlos, where she had won her first laurels when but a mere girl. Her triumph in "Carmen" and other opera was complete. On this occasion she was decorated by the King of Portugal. Mme. Mantelli is not only a great singer—she is a most charming and cultivated young woman, speaking almost as easily as her native Italian, four other languages, French, German, English and Spanish, and singing her roles in them all. The Victoria performance will include the musical gems from Acts II and IV. of "Carmen"; the garden and prison scenes from "Faust," and the garden, tower and prison scenes from "Il Trovatore." Other members of the company are Mme. Helene Noldi, the dramatic soprano; Signor Archilli Alberti, baritone, also former favorites with the metropolitan forces; and Walter H. Wheatley, tenor.

DOUBLE SATURDAY MATINEES.

There will be two matinees at the Grand today, beginning at 2:30, at which only five cents will be charged for children, and the week will close with the usual three Saturday night performances, beginning this evening at 7:30. Large houses have been the rule all week, the marvelous sword swallowing act of the Clifords, the comedy work of O'Brien and West and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morrell, and the operatic selections by the Curtis sisters, not forgetting F. Roberts in illustrated song and the war pictures, all going to make up a most entertaining programme.

GREASEPAINT.

Death of Dr. Mitchell.—The death occurred at the Jubilee hospital here yesterday afternoon of Dr. Mitchell, well known throughout the Northwest as a promoter and pioneer of important mining concerns. The doctor, who was one of the pioneers of larger operations in the Atlin camp, had been in failing health for some time past. He was an Eastern Canadian and came here from Ottawa about seven years ago.

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TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., January, 1905.
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Date.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
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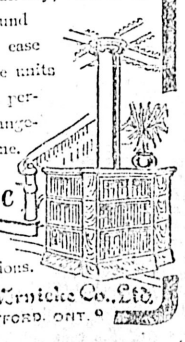

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BANK CLEARINGS.

New York, Jan. 13.—The following are some of the weekly clearings as compiled by Bradstreets for the week ending January 12, with percentages of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year: Montreal, $23,525,020; increase 18.7. Toronto, $22,046,357; increase 39.9. Winnipeg, $7,066,845; increase 35.5. Ottawa, $1,865,348; decrease 18.8. Halifax, $2,128,630; increase 17.2. Quebec, $1,308,676; increase 1.4 per cent. Vancouver $1,473,284; increase 22.5. Hamilton, $1,319,507; increase 12.2. London, $1,175,328; increase 48.5. St. John N .B., $1,178,205; increase 34.4. Victoria, $998,984; increase 40.5.

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MONEY MARKETS.

London, Jan. 13.—Consols for money 88 7-16; for account 88 9-16.

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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 23rd day of December, 1904.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Private Bills Notice.

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving petitions for private Bills will expire on the 9th day of February, 1905.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 2nd day of March, 1905.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 9th day of March, 1905.

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Revised Statutes of Canada

Chapter 92

NOTICE is hereby given that one month after date application will be made to the Governor-General in Council for approval of the plan and site of a wharf and saw-mill, to be erected by William Moore and Ernest W. Whittington on and opposite Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, in Block B, Work Estate, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia.

A plan of the site with description thereof has been deposited with the Department of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate of each has been deposited in the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1904, at Victoria, British Columbia.

WOOTTON & GOWARD,
Bank of Montreal Chambers,
Victoria, British Columbia.
Solicitors for the Applicants.

Notice of Application for Grant of Foreshore and License to Construct Wharf.

NOTICE is hereby given that under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886, Chapters 36 and 92, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria has applied to the Governor-General in Council for the grant of a portion of the foreshore on the Northeast of Rock Bay in Victoria Harbor.

A plan of the said foreshore and of the works and improvements proposed and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed sites of the same have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof has been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1904.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
Clerk of the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria. d22

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Constance Langford Davie, late of Victoria, B.C., deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act to all creditors of the estate to deliver to the undersigned before the 24th day of January, 1905, full particulars of claims, verified by Statutory declaration. After such date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets according to law.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1904.

McPHILLIPS & HEISTERMAN,
Of Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the Executors.

VANCOUVER POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Vancouver Power Company, Limited, will be held at the office of Messrs. McPhillips & Heisterman, Solicitors, Bank of Montreal Chambers, Government Street, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, on Thursday, the 5th day of January, 1905, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose following:

Appointing and ordering the periods of time in each year for the holding of the half-yearly general meetings of the shareholders, which meetings shall be called "ordinary meetings."

Dated this 10th day of December, 1904.

By order of the Board of Diretors.

NOTICE.

I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of the license held by me to sell by retail Wines and Spirituous Liquors on the premises known as the Commercial Saloon, situated on the corner of Douglas and Cormorant streets, in the city of Victoria, B. C., to James Stuckey.

ALFRED WOOD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next Session thereof for an Act enabling Celeste Joly of London, England, Inventor, and the Light Traffics Company, Limited, of Victoria, B. C., to apply for the issue of a Canadian Patent of new and useful inventions known as the Callet and Mono-Rail Portable Railway System, whereof Celeste Joly is the Patentee in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and various foreign countries, notwithstanding the lapse of one year from the issue to him of the patents aforesaid.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 31st day of December, 1904.

CASSIDY, DUMBLETON & SOLOMON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the southern boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

TEACHERS WANTED.

TEACHER WANTED—An experienced teacher for the second division of the Fernie city school, salary $75; to enter upon duties on the 6th February. Apply, with testimonials, to J. A. Rennie, Secretary, Fernie, B. C. ja14

WANTED—FEMALE HELP

WANTED—Two general helps, also mother's help; small family; no washing; good wages. 60 Rae street. ja12

WANTED—Woman cook for small hotel. Address P. O. Box 63, Duncans, E. & N. ja10

WANTED—Good girl for general housework, in small family. Inquire No. 287 Yates street. ja13

WANTED—Demonstrator for grocery specialty. Box 38 this office. d9

WANTED—A nice position is offered to an experienced lady in art needlework (specialty), Battenburg and art lace. Apply 60 Rae street.

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WANTED—General servant. Apply Mrs. Clarke, Foul Bay road, near Mr. Dempster's. d29

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TO LET—Furnished house for few months; choice situation.

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A LADY specially experienced in tailor-made garments and plain needle work, seeks employment. Terms moderate. 60 Rae street. ja8

WANTED—An experienced housemaid (English) seeks position; long and satisfactory references. Advertiser is also a very good needlewoman. Apply 60 Rae street. ja11

WANTED—MALE HELP.

WANTED—Wholesale dry goods traveler; must have experience in British Columbia. Apply, stating salary, etc., P. O. Box 783 Vancouver, B. C. ja14

WANTED—An experienced man to take charge of a general store in the country; married man preferred. Apply to Simon Leiser & Co., Ltd., Yates street. ja14

WANTED—Responsible man to manage an office and distributing depot for large manufacturing concern. Salary $150 per month and commissions. Applicant must have good references and $2,000. Capital secure. Address, Supt, 323 West 12th St., Chicago.

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WANTED—Young fellow from Whiteley's, London, seeks situation; can keep books. Address Box 128 Colonist office. ja12

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WANTED—Young man, stenographer, with own typewriter, would like evening work of any kind. Box 125 Colonist. ja11

WANTED—Position as watchman or caretaker. Address Box 123 Colonist. ja10

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FURNISHED ROOMS—First-class table; well recommended; fine brick house and grounds. 227 Johnson, corner Vancouver. ja14

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FOR SALE—Naphtha launch in good order. Apply "Launch," Colonist office.

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FOR SALE—Two first class milk cows, newly calved. W. Richardson, Strawberry Vale. ja14

FOR SALE—Bay mare; good for delivery butcher's cart and light lumber wagon. Apply at once, 64 Store street. James Townsley. d22

IMPORTED STOCK SALE — Hackney stallion, Clyde mare, 2 Shorthorn bulls, 2 Guernsey bulls, 1 Ayrshire bull, several heifers, 1 1500-lb. team, 1 1200-lb. general purpose horse. Stock bought and sold. G. H. Hadwen, Duncans. ja1

FOR SALE—Two fresh cows with or without calves; good milkers. H. D. Tilly, South Saanich, Keating P. O. ja12

FOR SALE—One fancy driving horse, Jersey cow, two seated top buggy, heavy saddle. Apply 10 San Juan avenue d16

WANTED—To purchase a good working team, not less than 1,100 pounds. Apply Box 43, Colonist Office.

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WANTED—To lease or purchase. Small farm, within driving distance of Victoria, near salt water preferred. Full particulars to "R. W.," Colonist. s15

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WANTED—To purchase, waterside lots at Victoria, suitable for wharf purposes or to rent wharf premises. Full particulars with lowest terms. Apply to Mallins, Coulthard & Co., New Westminster, B.C.

TO RENT—RESIDENCES.

TO RENT—Three furnished houses, $30, $35 and 40; 12 houses from $12 to $25. Apply E. A. Harris & Co., 35 Fort street. ja12

TO RENT—New cottage; modern conveniences, 46 Collinson street, $15 month. Apply 25 Rupert street. ja13

TO RENT—Furnished Devon cottage, opposite St. Paul's church. Apply to John Day, Esquimalt. Tel. 140. ja12

TO RENT—New, modern cottage, conveniently located; $18 per month, with privilege of purchase. B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. ja1

TO LET—Furnished house, with several acres of good land, on Esquimalt road; rent moderate. Helsterman & Co. d2

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LOST—On Friday night, on View street, in front of Driard hotel, lady's gold chain bracelet. Finder kindly return to this office. Reward offered. ja14

LOST—Pearl crescent brooch. Finder please return to Box 132 Colonist office. ja14

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LOST—Between Oaklands and Broad street, orange tabby female cat. Reward. F. Reade, Mt. Tolmie. ja13

LOST—On Sunday, small pearl crown-shaped brooch, on Douglas street or Gorge road. Finder will be rewarded on returning same to this office. ja11

LOST—On Douglas street, gentlemen's umbrella. Reward at Johns Bros. ja12

LOST—Last Saturday, the 31st December, between Porter's butcher shop and Sandringham tea room, on Broad, Fort or Government streets, a purse containing small sum of money and watch with hands and glass broken. Reward at this office. ja5

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SKATING—Parties wishing to go skating. J. Williams' 4½ h.p. gasoline launch leaves Esquimalt at 10, 11, 12 and 1 o'clock daily; prices moderate to parties wishing to return the route. Phone J. Day, 140. ja13

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FOR SALE—Drop-head Singer sewing machine, $35 cash. Address Box 131 Colonist office. ja14

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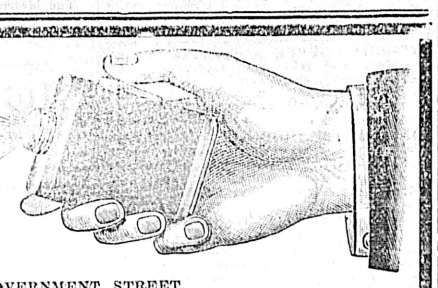
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Importance Of Our Seaboard

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in regard to the changes in the naval programme of the British government and it struck him that there had been a singular lack of appreciation shown of the future importance of the North Pacific ocean in a commercial and naval point of view, and absolutely no appreciation of the western seaboard of Canada. I feel safe in saying (said Mr. Lugrin) in your presence, who know the situation as well as I can express it, that in the near future there is no part of the British Empire which will be more important in an imperial sense than this piece of coast on which we stand. (Hear, hear.) I think it of supreme importance, therefore, that we who live here, and know the advantages of our position, and are able to say something of the progress which is taking place in a commercial way on this coast, and perhaps we can judge better than others of the possible future progress of that commerce—that we should come to the front now, and in the strongest possible way make known to the British people the great advantages and the great strategic importance of the western seaboard of Canada.

There is one fact which should be impressed upon the Canadian and British people. The great centre of human activity seems to be moving to the lands which are around the North Pacific ocean. It must be recognized by the student of history that we are standing today on the threshold of a new era in the history of mankind. The great movement which has taken place in Japan has made itself felt in China, and has resulted in the war now raging in the Orient. The fact that Siberia is being opened to commerce and is being exploited largely by American capital, and that industry has grown where it was not dreamed of only a few years ago. The fact that the Panama canal is about to be constructed, and in a few years promises to become an important commercial factor. The fact that the United States have occupied the Philippine islands and are introducing there the institutions, the activity and commercial enterprises which is characteristic of the country. The progress which seems now likely to take place in Australia. These things combined with the construction of a new transcontinental railway across Canada to this coast. All these things seem to me to show that the attention of mankind is about to be concentrated upon the North Pacific ocean more strongly than upon any other part of the world, and that here, during our lifetime, we will see the greatest activity prevailing anywhere on the globe.

In view of these facts it seems to me, possessing as we do, in Canada, the finest seaboard on the whole Pacific coast, that we should impress upon our fellow subjects the absolute importance of making this scene fit for the part it is destined to play in the future of the Empire.

The western coast of America stretches across 122 degrees of latitude. It is a remarkable fact that of this 122 degrees of latitude only 60 degrees belong to the British Empire, which is at present the greatest naval and commercial power in the world. I believe it will remain the greatest naval and commercial power in the world, but we must not forget that in Germany and the United States we have powerful rivals. The United States has 28 degrees of seaboard upon the Pacific ocean. Germany has none, but is endeavoring to secure as many stations as it can in the South Pacific ocean wherein to form a base for its fleets. For commercial purposes the coast of America is divided between the United States and Canada, and of this we have 6 degrees of latitude against 28 degrees of latitude owned by the United States. It is somewhat singular that in all this 28 degrees of latitude which the United States own there is only a little part which is calculated to become the basis of a great trade. San Francisco has a good harbor and will always play an important part in the commerce of the Pacific ocean but San Francisco is separated from the great productive country in the interior by a high plateau over which it is impossible for freight to be carried to complete with the railways running to the coast of British Columbia. I have no figures, but I think I am safe in saying that the difference between the summits—the highest points—upon railways running into San Francisco and those coming to British Columbia, is between 3,000 and 5,000 feet, which is a difference sufficient to send the freight to the north as soon as railway lines are completed.

It is also true that the commerce coming from the Atlantic coast to China and Japan will find its shortest route as well as the easiest railway grade by coming to the Northwest and seeking its passage to the sea through British Columbia ports. In point of harbor facilities possibly Seattle or Tacoma have as good advantages as ports in British Columbia, but in respect to the gradients over which freight will have to be hauled in coming from the east, British Columbia ports will have an advantage over all others. Then the difference in distance between Yokohama and Liverpool, in favor of the route across Canada, is something like 1700 miles, which is an immense saving. In point of fact, it is shorter to go from London to Hongkong by the way of Canada, when we have the railway just about to be begun. The shortest way to come from Liverpool even as far as Hongkong will be to cross the Atlantic ocean to Quebec, come westward across Canada, and thence by sea to Hongkong. This will be the important route in the future for the transportation of both passengers and freight, for the saving of time in transportation now always is a saving of money, and is a very important consideration indeed. This point should be impressed strongly upon the minds of the Canadian people: That we are in a commanding commercial position as respects Oriental commerce. It is also important to bear in mind that the hinterland of this coast will become the most productive portion of the American continent. The Orient is taking larger quantities of breadstuffs every year and the time is very near when the United States will cease to be an exporter of breadstuffs. These breadstuffs will hereafter have to be purchased in Canada and they will be shipped via our ports to Asia. We have behind us a great productive region and before us the shortest route to the place where the greatest market in the world will be provided for these materials. When we consider what has happened in the Orient with its great and ever swelling populations, waiting to be supplied from this continent with goods which must come in a large measure either from or through Canada, I think the importance of the northern seaboard of this country will be so clear that no argument will be necessary to induce the government to see that steps should be taken to place it in a position, not only to care for commerce in a larger way, but to take care of such ships of war as may be sent here for the defence of our coasts.

In regard to Esquimalt itself I do not think its advantages are sufficiently appreciated. It is a naval station possessing exceptional advantages. It is a better station than the United States has at its disposal anywhere on the coast. It is better than that at San Francisco and it is nearer to what will be the great highway of commerce across the Pacific ocean. It is better than that which the United States government is equipping at such great expense at Bremerton. Its harbor is good, the situation is commanding, and it is naturally protected from attack by land. It is within close touch with large coal mines, and is not far from the termini of the lines of railways which are under construction or projected across the continent. It is also close to the capital of the province. In view of these things it is important that the Dominion government should be aroused to the necessity of making such expenditure at Esquimalt as will place it in a position to do the work which may be required of it in case of emergency.

Mr. Lugrin said he approved of the report of the committee with respect to the representations of the Navy League. He believed the time had come when the Dominion should share in the defence of the Empire. He was glad that Canada would not contribute toward the maintenance of the royal navy in cash, but was to contribute "in kind" by maintaining a navy of its own, not simply for Canadian coast defence, but to be at the service of the Admiralty to do duty for the Empire in every part of the world. It was one step in this direction that the Esquimalt station should be equipped to meet any possible demands as a great commercial and naval station.

Mr. Joseph Peirson, secretary of the Navy League, expressed approval of the sentiments expressed by Mr. Lugrin, and suggested that the resolution would come as a timely supplement to the memorial which was forwarded some time ago to the Ottawa government, and the secretary of the Navy League in London.

Mr. Lindley Crease supported the resolution. In doing so he examined some of the arguments which have been raised against contribution to the navy by Canada, particularly the point that its funds were required to open up the country and make homes for the people, and showed that this would apply equally well to Australia and the Straits Settlements, which contributed generously to this object.

Mr. F. Pauline thought there were engineering objections to the enlargement of the present dock. He thought they should ask the government to build a new and a larger dock, for which there was a good site available in the vicinity of Esquimalt.

Mr. A. J. Morley concurred in this, and suggested that the resolution be amended to meet the point taken. He recalled that the construction of a larger dock had at one time been under consideration by the Imperial government.

The following amended resolution was then put and carried unanimously:

"That a strong memorial be forwarded to the Dominion government asking that immediate steps be taken to provide dry dock accommodation to meet the requirements of modern warships and the mercantile marine at Esquimalt."

A letter and resolution of the Esquimalt District Liberal Association, asking the co-operation of the board in urging that merchant ships should be permitted to anchor in Esquimalt harbor, etc., was submitted for consideration.

The question was discussed by Capt. Thomson, Mr. Henry Bullen, Mr. Lugrin and others. Mr. Bullen pointed out that in cases of disabled vessels the captain was indifferent what port he made. It depended upon the tug which happened to pick him. At this season of the year the Royal Roads were not considered a safe anchorage, and as Esquimalt was closed to merchant ships, such vessels naturally went to Port Angeles or Port Townsend. These vessels distributed considerable in a place, and this was Victoria's loss.

It was eventually decided, however, that it would not be wise for the board to go on record as approving of the Liberal association's memorial at the present.

The report of the committee, which represented the board before the commission to inquire into the operation of the Assessment Act, was adopted.

The general question of securing daily steamship communication with Port Angeles raised in a communication from Mr. C. A. Harrison of the Driard hotel, was referred to the committee on trade and transportation.

Communications were submitted from the Bards of Trade of Nelson and Vancouver, asking the Dominion government to impose a duty on lumber entering Canada equal to that which the United States imposes on Canadian lumber.

The secretary said the board had already expressed itself favorably on this subject. It had even gone so far as to propose to send a delegation, or share the expense of sending a delegation, to Ottawa in connection with the matter.

Mr. J. A. Grant could not see why the British Columbia mills could not compete with American mills in the markets of the Northwest. They should not lose sight either of the settlers' interests in the matter. They had to pay a big freight bill on lumber now. If they had to pay for the duty as well, it would come hard on them. He moved that the communications be filed.

Mr. Beaumont Boggs seconded the motion. He pointed out that a supply of lumber was an important matter to the settlers of the Northwest, many of whom lived in dugouts simply because they could not get building material. The lumber trade there was controlled by a combination. It was stated, he believed correctly, that you could not buy lumber here and ship it to the Northwest. It must go through an agent at Brandon, Regina or some other place.

The motion passed.

The president stated that the Mayor had been requested by a committee of the board to call a public meeting to discuss the question of the Songhees Indian reserve. His Worship in acknowledging this request, had advised that before calling such a meeting he deemed it advisable to have the opinion of the city solicitor. This was on December 20; since then nothing had been heard of the matter.

Mr. A. J. Morley and Mr. Lugrin thought the request of the committee should have been met by His Worship.

On motion it was decided to express regret that the matter had not been attended to, and to ask the Mayor to call a meeting without further delay.

Some discussion occurred with reference to the Rock Bay bridge, which had been closed to vehicular traffic against the protests of the board. A committee some time ago waited upon the city authorities in regard to this matter, and this committee being still in existence, it was decided to leave the matter in its hands to be further prosecuted.

It was noted that the necessity for a fog alarm at Cape Beale had been again represented to the Ottawa authorities, and intimation received from the department of marine that it would be taken in hand as soon as a location was decided upon.

It was noted that the council had waited upon the City Council in reference to the terminal railway matter, and report was made concerning the interview.

The board adjourned.

Those present were S. J. Pitts, Thos. Earle, H. B. Thomson, Max Leiser, C. F. Todd, Jas. Thomson, F. W. Vincent, J. K. Robbeck, James Simon, A. G. McCandless, J. A. Grant, F. A. Pauline, E. A. Allen, A. J. Morley, Joseph Peirson, E. S. Rowe, Beaumont Boggs, C. H. Lugrin, Howard Chapman, H. F. Bullen, W. F. Bullen, W. H. Bone, J. B. H. Rickaby, C. Clark, S. W. Bucknam, E. B. Marvin, Hill R. Smith, T. Walker, W. T. Hardacre.

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SHIPBUILDING OF 1904.

The bureau of navigation of the United States reports 1,065 vessels of 265,104 tons gross were built in the United States during the year 1904, as compared with 1,159 of 381,970 tons in 1903, and 1,262 of 429,327 tons in 1902, and 1,322 of 376,129 tons in 1901. During the last six months of 1904 there were built 542 vessels of 92,598 tons, as compared with 571 of 717,067 during the corresponding period of 1903.

The bureau reports 53 vessels of 17,918 tons gross were built in the United States and officially numbered during the month of December. Of these 23 of 9,240 tons were sail and 30 of 8,678 tons were steam. From other sources than construction one vessel, the schooner Monterey, of 1,834 tons gross, formerly the British ship Cypromene, was added to the merchant fleet.

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The occasion of the installation of officers of lodge no. 17 was celebrated by the Knights of Pythias by a banquet on Thursday evening at the Victoria hotel. The function was attended by the greatest enthusiasm, and the dining room was tastefully decorated with emblems of the order.

In the speeches elicited by the toast list it was happily manifested that the Pythians are not lacking in oratorical gifts. The list was as follows:

"The King," proposed by Bro. E. E. Leason. "The President of the United States," proposed by Bro. E. C. Smith and responded to by Bro. R. E. Peabody.

"The Grand Lodge of B. C.," proposed by Bro. A. B. Oldershaw, and responded to by Bro. E. P. Nathan.

"The Newly-Installed Officers," proposed by Bro. E. E. Leason and responded to by Bros. S. D. Mowat, Kettle, McLeod, F. W. Shade, A. B. Oldershaw, E. P. Nathan, A. E. Greenwood, A. Ruster, Geo. McCulloch and G. A. Shade.

"Our Beloved Order," proposed by Bro. A. E. Greenwood, responded to by Bro. H. F. W. Behnsen, P. G. R.

Bros. E. E. Leason and E. W. Bradley addressed the members regarding the meeting of the grand lodge.

"Sister Societies" was proposed by Bro. J. H. Mansell. Bro. W. P. Allen responded and Bro. Macintosh of Granite lodge, New Westminster, and Bros. Wheeler, Brayshaw and Gold also spoke.

Bro. Burmeister proposed "Wives and Sweethearts," to which he contributed a witty speech, and Bros. E. Dickinson and E. W. Bradley spoke to a toast to "Our Host and Hostess."

Bros. W. D. Kinnaird, W. A. Kettle, C. Goodenough, McMorran and J. Hilton entertained the company with vocal selections during the evening.

There was a pleasing digression from the regular order of business when Bro. E. E. Leason, on behalf of lodge No. 17, presented Bro. A. Coopman with a handsome gold mounted cane.

The officers installed for the ensuing term were: C. C., D. Mowat; V. C., W. Kettle; prelate, J. McLeod; M. at A., Geo. McCulloch; K. of R. and S., E. P. Nathan; M. of Ex., A. Rusta; M. of F., A. E. Greenwood; M. of W., A. B. Oldershaw; I. G., W. Shade; O. G., Geo. Shade; representatives to grand lodge, E. W. Bradley and E. E. Leason.

The installation ceremonies were conducted by the following team: Deputy Grand Chancellor E. Dickinson, very ably supported by Past Chancellors E. E. Leason, E. W. Bradley, H. Dalziel, J. H. Mansel, L. Burmeister and W. S. Stanier.

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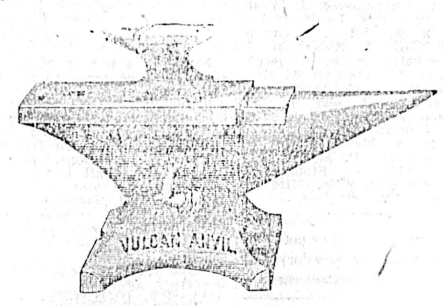

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